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Upper Wharfedale and Littondale Parish Magazine

This Month.... 'Saints of Old'

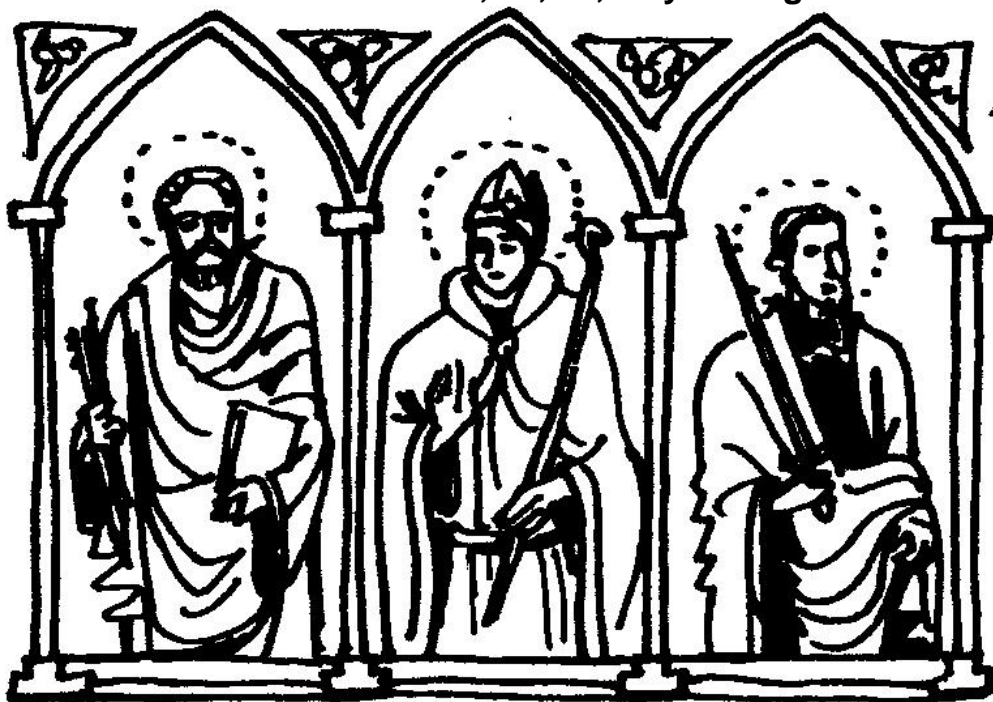
St Oswald – a very British Saint

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November Country Diary

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Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. *Hebrews 12 1*

The Link

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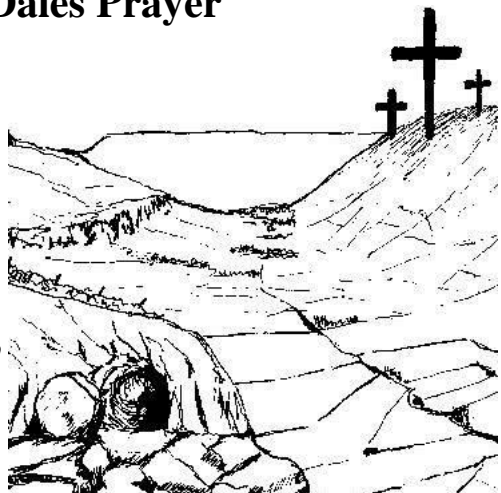
A Dales Prayer

*May the Father's grace
abound in you
as the flowing water
of the beck.*

*May the Son's love and hope
invigorate you
as the rising slopes
of fell and dale.*

*May the Spirit's companionship
be with you
as the glory
of the golden meadows.*

Amen



From the Vicar...

All four of our Churches in the parish are dedicated to saints. Technically Michael is an angel rather than a saint, although in the Church at Mont-Saint-Michel they have conclusive proof that St Michael existed: a feather, from one of his wings... Churches dedicated to St Michael were frequently built on top of pagan places of worship – hence St Michael’s at Linton. We successfully celebrated Hubberholme’s patronal festival this year on the Sunday nearest the feast of St Michael and All Angels on 29 September.

Celebrating the other patronal festivals in the parish is more problematic. Mary has six separate feast days in the CofE, and nine in the Roman Catholic and Orthodox Churches. A summer patronal celebration for Conistone and Kettlewell could have an outdoors element but 15 August isn’t ideal, falling in the middle of the summer holidays. Another option is Spring, at the feast of the Annunciation on 25 March. This always falls in Lent which means that celebrations will be a bit muted.

The Church at Arncliffe is one of three Churches dedicated to St Oswald in the Diocese of Leeds, the other two are at Guiseley and Collingham. St Oswald’s Day is on 5 August, again when most of us are away on holiday. We don’t know much about either the Archangel Michael or Mary the mother of Jesus beyond what we find in the Bible. We do, however, know a great deal about Oswald thanks to the historian Bede, writing a century after his death, and I have written a separate article about Oswald in this edition of the *Link*.

I love the detail that Oswald was Aidan’s interpreter. It demonstrates that Oswald committed himself wholeheartedly to the conversion of his kingdom by being the vehicle through whom the message was given. It makes Christianity personal, as it always is. Oswald is a very British saint and an integral step in the Christian faith being passed down to our generation here in the Dale.



Scarecrow Saints in Kettlewell Church!

Tom

From the Churches & Villages

Parish News

From the Parish Registers

INTERMENT OF ASHES

13 October – St Michael and All Angels,
Hubberholme – Phillis Rockliff

16 October – St Mary's, Kettlewell – Betty
Rosemary Potter

Support for Refugees from Afghanistan

We were delighted with and overwhelmed by the amount of winter clothing donated across the community in our churches and schools for the refugee collection. Arncliffe and Kettlewell Churches were very well filled with donations, the latter including quite a few donations brought from Conistone. We were able to take two full minibus and three full car loads to PAFRAS and YORKSHIRE AID in Leeds. Very many thanks to all who donated or helped in any way at all.

St Mary's Kettlewell



November Rotas

Sidespeople

Nov 7 Pauline Thompson
Nov 14 Sue Nelson & Judy Burgin
Nov 21 Clare Blakey-Williams
Nov 28 Dave Nelson

Coffee/Tea

Nov 7 June Appleton

Nov 14 No one required
Nov 21 Di Blakey-Williams
Nov 28 Judy Burgin

Cleaning

Ann Lister

Flowers

Liz Sowden

Luncheon Club

The November Lunch will be held on the 18 November at 12.30 for 12.45. If you didn't put your name forward at the last Luncheon Club, please ring Sue Nelson (760887) by 4pm on Sunday 14 November to reserve your place. If she's not at home leave a message. The Luncheon Club is open to anyone who is over 55 and lives in the Parish of Kettlewell with Starbotton. The cost is £5 for two courses and coffee, and there is a wine bar. The wearing of face coverings, when not seated at a table, will continue until everyone feels 'safe' without them, as will socially distanced tables of 6 and hand sanitising.

Christmas Stall

Saturday 4 December, in the Lychgate of St Mary's, Kettlewell, 1030am – 12 noon, in aid of church funds.

Thank You!

Thank you to all who donated produce and helped in any way to make Kettlewell & Conistone's Harvest celebrations, on 17 October, such a thoughtful occasion. Tinned produce and packets were donated to Skipton Food Bank and fresh produce to Keighley Neighbourhood Cafe which helps to provide meals, at a reasonable cost or none, for those

struggling to make ends meet. The collection at the service totalled £90 and will be donated to Christian Aid. Thank you too to Kettlewell School who also donated generously for Skipton Food Bank at their Harvest Festival Service in Kettlewell Church the previous week.

Thank you too, to all who came along to St Mary's, Kettlewell on Saturday 23 October to help with the Work Morning. In the Churchyard, benches were stowed away in readiness for winter and essential trimming, weeding and tidying were accomplished. In church, extra attention was paid to cleaning and fire door hinges were oiled ensuring easy opening plus those little extra jobs that make the Church feel 'lived in' and smelling clean and fresh. Thank you again for your help.

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St Michael and All Angels, Hubberholme Church



November rotas

Sidespeople

Nov 7 David & Sue Lusted
Nov 14 Sandie & David Parsons
Nov 21 Keith & Jean Robinson
Nov 28 Jane & Bernard Way

Flowers

Nov 7 TBA
Nov 14 A Close
Nov 21 A Close
Nov 28 Advent - no flowers

Cleaning

Nov 7 TBA
Nov 14 J Adejumo
Nov 21 J Way
Nov 28 J Way

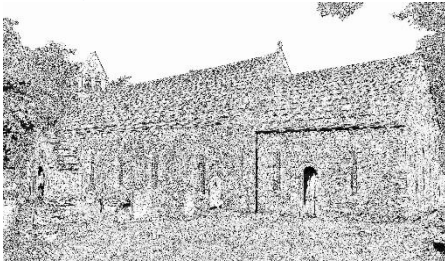
Our Remembrance Day Service will be held at 10.30am on Sunday 14 November.

A Star in your Life can be a Star on our Tree. Dedicate a star on our splendid tree in Hubberholme Church this Christmas to give thanks for someone or something special to you. May we suggest £2+ per star. Thank you for keeping this special church alive. Cheques (payable to UW&L PCC) can be posted to Mrs. A Harrison, Ghyll End, Beckermonds, Buckden, Skipton, BD23 5JL, or through the parish website (upperwharfedalechurches.org), or by visiting the church. If you are a UK taxpayer, please add your name and postcode to Gift Aid your donation. Photographs of the

decorated church and tree will be on www.buckden.org at Christmas time.

Advance notice: at 10.00am on Christmas Eve, a working party will be gathering in Buckden School Room to prepare the Christingles for the afternoon service. As many children (and well-behaved adults) that can join the team will be most welcome and the fruits of your labours will be distributed in church at the 4.00 pm Crib Service. Please let Janet Mudd know if you will be able to participate (760205).

St Mary's Conistone



November Rotas

Sidespeople

- Nov 7 Hilda Dibb, Allison Clark
- Nov 14 Philip & Kathryn Butterfield
- Nov 21 Jo Foster, Hilda Dibb
- Nov 28 Philip & Kathryn Butterfield

Flowers & Cleaning

- Nov 7 Jane Pope
- Nov 14 Jane Pope
- Nov 21 Kathryn Butterfield
- Nov 28 Kathryn Butterfield

Thank you to everyone who helped with and donated to our lovely Harvest Festival service at Kettlewell church. The response to the appeal for winter clothing for refugees from Afghanistan by the residents of Conistone with Kilnsey was overwhelming. Many thanks to all those who contributed so generously.

In preparation for the Christmas Stall to be held at Kettlewell church Lychgate on 4 December, we are collecting suitable items for our Christmas Hamper raffle prize. Any donations, eg Christmas chocolates, biscuits etc, will be gratefully received. These can be given to Kathryn Butterfield, Sue Nelson or Judy Burgin. Hope to see you there.

St Oswald's Arncliffe

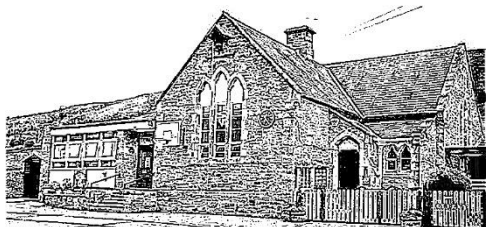


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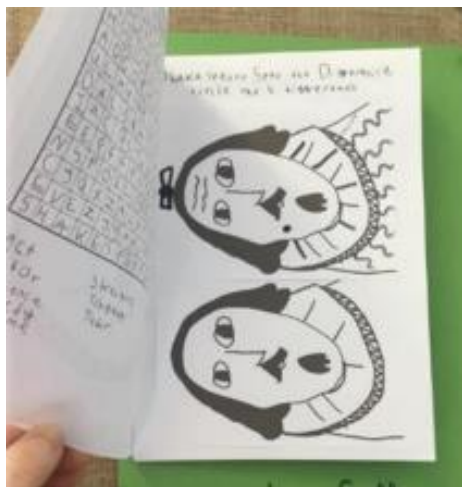
- Flowers:** Mrs. J. Raper
- Cleaning:** Mr. & Mrs. B. Raper



Kettlewell Primary School



As you read this, the children will have returned to school after half term - a half term which saw no homework! So good was their work this term, from Shakespeare quiz books, to Romeo and Juliet costume designs, and Macbeth storyboards... that Kettlewell children were given a well-deserved rest over half term.



And it wasn't just the Bard they excelled in. Children have learnt about Italy - its geography, language and buildings, and have made famous landmarks out of card. They've tackled tricky spellings (particularly, penalises, possession to name but three), difficult maths and the story of the Big Bad Pig. They celebrated National Poetry Day

and held Harvest Festival in Kettlewell Church in a joyful gathering combining singing, poetry and painting. Federation schools have come together each Friday to work together as a larger cohort to enjoy specialist PE, French and art teaching, and swimming starts again in November.



If you shop at Morrison's please collect their Grow Tokens, which offers free gardening equipment for schools. Kettlewell school is collecting the tokens to prepare for springtime planting in the school garden. And if you're considering sending your little one to Kettlewell School, please don't hesitate to contact us for a chat or visit at: admin@kettlewell.n-yorks.sch.uk or call 01756 760280

News from UWALS

UWALS is pleased to be edging towards some normality again and is looking forward to the following events:

4 November 2pm Kettlewell. The History Wardrobe presents Agatha Christie and Cream Tea. This event is filling up quickly; you can book by phoning 01756 770051 or 770350 or email uwalsociety@gmail.com

11 November AGM Cheese, wine and a talk from David Joy 7pm Conistone with Kilnsey Hall.

Friday 19 November Christmas Calligraphy with Angela Reed. Learn the art of calligraphy to add something special to your gifts and cards. Lunch at 12 noon and workshop at 1pm Conistone with Kilnsey Hall. £30 members/ £32 non-members including all materials and lunch. Limited places.

Thursday 2 December 10am to 3pm Christmas Wreath making Conistone with Kilnsey Hall. Local florist Ruth will ensure you leave with a wreath you can be proud of. All materials and lunch provided.

Friday 3 December The highlight of our Christmas programme and back by very popular demand are Maire Ni Chathasaigh and Chris Newman. This internationally renowned pairing of the doyenne of Irish harpists with one of the UK's most influential acoustic guitarists will be presenting a Christmas themed programme of music. Conistone with Kilnsey Hall 7.30pm All booking can be made by ringing 01756 770051/770350 or uwalsociety@gmail.com

Finally, the Funk Wire is up and running again but there is some disruption to our normal fortnightly slots – additions and subtractions! Please note the following:

Choir Dates for The Funk Wire

2pm The Village Hall, Arncliffe

11 November 2021

18 November 2021

25 November 2021

9 December 2021

Kettlewell & District WI

Fifteen members met for their October meeting, once again in Kettlewell Village Hall, at their new Wintertime of 2pm, embracing daylight for the darker months. It was good to see so many of us together once more and the three members who gave apologies were very much missed. Maureen and Jane took up their new positions as

President and Secretary, and Sheila and Jennifer were thanked for all their service, as they retired from those positions. Sheila passed on to Maureen the silver President's Brooch of Office. The programme for the next six months was discussed and sorted and, at the next meeting members are delighted and proud to announce that Dr Roger Martlew will be our speaker. The subject of his talk will be "The Changing Face of the Yorkshire Dales" and the meeting, on 9 November at 2.00pm, is open to non-members at £5.00 including refreshments. Everyone is most welcome to what promises to be a very interesting and informative afternoon, so, please come along and join us.

Children's Society Coffee Morning

It is hoped that the Annual Fold Farm Box collection and Christmas Coffee Morning will take place in some form on Saturday 20 November from 10.30am. Depending on the weather and, of course, any Covid related issues, we may be inside the house or within the buildings opposite, (or both) but we shall do everything possible to make it happen after it was cancelled last year. All necessary safety restrictions will be observed but there will be Christmas Cakes, produce, bric a brac, a raffle and, lots of coffee & biscuits. Please come along and support underprivileged young people at this very vulnerable time of year. **EVERYONE IS VERY WELCOME.**

Village Hall

Just a reminder that the November film at the hall is on the 6th at 7.30pm. The film is "Eye in the Sky" a synopsis of which was in the October Link. The December film is on the 4th at 7.30pm and is "Limbo" Rating PG. Omar is a promising young musician. Separated from his Syrian family, he is stuck

on a remote Scottish island awaiting the fate of his asylum request. It is a wry and poignant observation of the refugee experience and is classed as a comedy drama. Tickets £5 from the village shop, under 19 £2.50. As usual bring your own drinks and nibbles. Ice creams available in the interval. Wearing of masks at your own discretion.

Christmas Pantomime

The Pantomime is back for the children's Christmas party on Wednesday 22 December at 1.00pm. The production by Talegate Theatre is "Jack and the Beanstalk" More details in the December *Link*.

Air Ambulance Coffee Morning

Babs is hoping to restart the Air Ambulance Coffee Mornings, the first of which will be held in the Blue Bell Inn on Wednesday 3 November at 10.30am. Coffee and scones and a raffle are "on the menu", and everyone is very welcome.

Kettlewell Scarecrow Festival

Kettlewell Scarecrow Festival AGM

Tuesday, November 16, 2021, 7.30pm
Kettlewell Village Hall - all welcome.



Scarecrow Festival AGM

16 Nov 2021, 7.30pm

Kettlewell Village Hall

What next?

What now?

Same as before?

Or much, much smaller?

Abandon completely?

Or turn it into a village fete or gala?

The future of Kettlewell Scarecrow Festival is in YOUR hands! On 16 November we will decide "what next" for the festival, which, after two years of Covid disruption, is at a major crossroads. We need YOU - the community - to guide us as we consider: "what next". Please come and tell us your views and help us make the right decision for our community.

ARE YOU WILLING TO HELP?

Arncliffe Parish Meeting

The Arncliffe Parish Meeting will take place on Wednesday 17 November at 7:30pm. We are very happy to confirm that the meeting will take place in the village hall. All residents of Arncliffe are welcome to attend.

Michelle Miller

Secretary to the Parish Meeting

Latest news from Amerdale Hall

Planning permission has been granted for the refurbishment and extension of the Hall. We are grateful to the Arncliffe Village Committee for giving us time at their summer meeting to discuss our plans and for supporting our application.

We are now applying for grants to fund the work, which will include refitting the kitchen and adding a much-needed disabled toilet. Our first task is to replace the septic tank. If we can raise sufficient money, we also hope to extend the Hall so that we can offer new, more flexible spaces to meet a variety of different needs.

We have applied to the National Lottery Community Fund and various other local and national organisations. We will let you know through the *Link* how we get on. We will also be explaining how you can help us raise the money we need, but if you would like to join the committee, make a contribution or find out more, please get in touch.

In the meantime, the work of the Hall carries on. Look out for news of our exciting programme of events during the autumn and winter. If you wish to book the Hall, please email Sarah Paul carrfarm2021@gmail.com If you have any questions about our plans for the Hall, please email me clivenicholaslane@gmail.com

*Clive Lane, Chair, Amerdale Hall
Management Committee*

Litton Parish Meeting

Litton's Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday 23 November in the Queens at 7.30.

Buckden and Langstrothdale

The Library van will be in Buckden car park from 10.00am until 12.00 noon on Wednesday 24 November.

Buckden Whist continues this month in Buckden Institute on Wednesday 10 & 24 November. Doors open at 6.30pm and play starts at 7.00pm; there is an entry charge of £3.50 which includes supper. The evening is light-hearted, with the emphasis on good company. Newcomers will be made very welcome by all our regulars. If you would like more information, please ring David on 760877.

The Fund-Raising Quiz which was circulating throughout the parish has finally concluded and the winner of this year's quiz is Mr A Taylor from Kent who has requested that the winnings go into Church Funds. Thank you, Mr. Taylor. For those who have been struggling the answers are:

Name the Show. Unhappy foreigners - Les Miserables; College singers with the yard shop - Kings Rhapsody; A.B.C. of the Supreme Being - God spell; Greeting mixtures - Hello Dolly; One in haddock catches trout - Finians Rainbow; One of

Cadbury's army - Chocolate Soldier; Weekend high temperature - Saturday Night Fever

Name the place. Male chicken with the Queen's gammon - Cockham; Ribbon on the loch - Bowness; Cart in the kiln - Barrow in Furness; Cereal structure - Cornwall; An amphibian on a ecclesiastical officer - Newton Abbott; Made with a cunning creature plus 5.5 yards (anagram)- Oxford; Largest Greek island - Crete; City of U.S. brotherly love - Philadelphia

Name the flower. Young horse's measure - Coltsfoot; Unhappy ringer - Blue Bell; No wine from this Spring bulb - Grape Hyacinth; Where village flocks graze at rainbow's end - Meadow Violet; 150 plus 6 balls in cricket - Clover; Sauce thickener - Corn Flower; Cost of lifting - Cranes Bill; Sweets in a clump - Candy Tuff; Bovine's underwear - Cow Slip

Find the phrase. B.1.G.1.F. - Buy 1 Get 1 Free; 10 G B H on the W - 10 Green Bottles Hanging on the Wall; 1685 B of S - 1685 Battle of Sedgemoor; 4 S by V - 4 Seasons by Vivaldi; 4711 E D C - 4711 Eau De Cologne; 13 in a B D - 13 in a Bakers Dozen; A B in the H is W2 in the B - A Bird in the Hand is Worth 2 in the Bush; 24 B B B in a P - 24 Black Birds Baked in Pie; A S in T S N - A Stitch in Time Saves Nine; 2 T D - 2 Turtle Doves; 7 4 7 J J - 747 Jumbo Jet; 1 A is A F D - 1st April is April Fools Day; 1492 C C D the N W - 1492 Christopher Columbus Discovered the New World.

Rainfall for September 2021

Arncliffe: 70.9 mm/2.79 ins
Beckermonds: 119.1 mm/4.72 ins
Litton: 78.3 mm/3.08 ins

St Oswald- a very British saint

Oswald was King of Northumbria from 634 until his death in battle on 5 August 642 at the age of 38. Oswald spent much of his youth in exile in Scotland, where he converted to Christianity. His uncle, Edwin, was killed in battle by Cadwallon in 633. Oswald met Cadwallon in battle at Heavenfield, near Hexham, the following year.

Adomnán, in his *Life of Saint Columba*, said that Oswald had a vision of Columba the night before the battle, who told him: Your

foes shall be put to flight and your enemy shall be delivered into your hands and you shall return victorious.

Oswald described this vision to his council. They agreed that, if successful in battle, they would be baptised en masse. Oswald had a wooden cross erected; he knelt down before the cross and prayed and asked his army to join him. In the battle that followed, the British were routed despite their superior numbers and Cadwallon was killed.

Following the victory at Heavenfield Oswald promoted the spread of Christianity in Northumbria. He asked the Irish to send a bishop to facilitate the conversion of his people. They initially sent an austere bishop who was unsuccessful. They then sent Aidan, who subscribed to a gentler approach to mission, and Oswald gave Lindisfarne to Aidan as his episcopal see. The Venerable Bede, in his *‘History of the English Church and People’* mentions

that Oswald acted as Aidan's interpreter, as Oswald had learned Irish during his exile:

The king always listened humbly to Aidan's advice in all things, and diligently set himself to establish and extend the Church of Christ throughout his kingdom. Indeed, when the bishop, who was not fluent in the English language, preached the gospel, it was most beautiful to see the king himself acting as interpreter of the heavenly word for his earldormen and thanes.



After eight years of rule Oswald was killed in the Battle of Maserfield. His body was dismembered, and his head and limbs were placed on stakes. Bede says that the spot where he died at Oswestry ("Oswald's Tree") soon came to be associated with miracles. Oswald's head is interred in Durham Cathedral together with the remains of Cuthbert of Lindisfarne (a saint with whom Oswald became

posthumously associated, although the two were not associated in life).

Cuthbert and Oswald, two saints who together did much in their generation to convert a nation by lives of contagious personal holiness. Recent words by Archbishop Stephen Cottrell apply to them and to all who seek to see the Churches grow and flourish in our day: *“The best way to grow the Church is to proclaim the Gospel. And the best way to proclaim the Gospel is to so live your life in Christ that the beauty and radiance that we see in Christ shines in our lives and makes a difference in the world”.*

The Potter's Bench

A PLACE to reminisce and reflect has been created in a country churchyard to celebrate the memory of a couple who devoted more than two decades of care to a Dales parish. A bench has been placed outside St Mary's Church, Kettlewell, in memory of the Rev John Potter and his wife Betty.

The bench was presented by members of the Potter family, who gathered at the churchyard on Saturday 17 October, for a memorial service for Mrs Potter, who died earlier this year. Mr Potter died in 1999. Four of the couple's children – Jillian Carr, Ann Ralph, Susan Stanford and Ian Potter – attended the service along with 24 other family members. Their brother, Tony Potter, lives in Australia and he and his family were unable to be present.

A packed church heard the present Vicar, the Rev Tom Lusty, welcome the Potter family back to Kettlewell, where Mr Potter was Vicar for 22 years, from 1960 to 1982. After the service the congregation went into the churchyard, where Mrs Potter's ashes were laid to rest alongside those of her late husband, close to where the new bench is situated.

Mrs Ralph said: "We wanted to put something in the churchyard where people



From left: Jillian Carr, Ann Ralph, Ian Potter and Susan Stanford. Picture by David Nelson

can sit and reflect and reminisce, and it's nice as well that we were able to do this so close to where our parents are, back together in the Dales." She added that the bench would need to be looked after, but this would be a good excuse for the family to get together in the future.

Mr Potter was born in Germany, and Mrs Potter was originally from Salisbury. The couple met and married in Salisbury, before he started his ministry in Croydon. The Potters left Kettlewell when Mr Potter took up a new post in Ipswich, before eventually retiring.

Mrs Ralph said her father was a "proper Vicar" who knew everyone in the village. Her mother was involved with many local organisations, including the WI, and was a keen singer.

Mr Potter founded Diocesan Summer Camps, which were held in different parts of the region and catered for 90 youngsters and 30 staff at a time, with Mrs Potter also very heavily involved in running them.

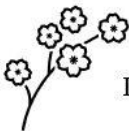
The members of the Potter family who attended the memorial service were: Jillian and Paul, Ann and Stan, Susan and Mark and Ian and Lisa; with grandchildren and partners

Ruby and Joseph, Bradley and Willow, Edd and Georgia, Evie and Alex, Molly and Paul, Zach and Kate, Harry and Ella, Finley and Layla; and great-grandchildren Otto and Juniper.

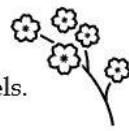
Family members unable to be present were Tony and Suzanne, and grandchildren and partners Oliver and Giorgia, Lucy and Lauchlan, and Frazer and Georgia.



John & Betty Potter post retirement, at a wedding at Kettlewell church in 1994



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🔗 ‘Buttered Peas’ are Calling for a Caller!

For over 25 years the “Buttered Peas” Ceilidh band, in which I play the flute, has been playing for weddings, birthday parties and other happy social events up and down both our Dales and further afield. The Link has carried our yellow pages advertisement for almost as long. We are still going strong, Covid permitting, but our long-serving caller Jennie has had to retire, so....WE NEED TO FIND A NEW CALLER - someone with knowledge of some traditional dances and a good sense of humour who teaches the moves of a dance and then sorts out any chaos which ensues when the band plays. If any Link reader has experience of calling for ceilidh dancing or would like to give it a try please get in touch with me – Richard in Hawkswick 01756 770346 or strand@hawkswick.net

Buttered Peas is the name of a traditional Dales dance and various tunes which go with it. The version we do originates from Grassington. In the 1990s there was a regular Saturday morning Music Centre in the old Ilkley Grammar School building where I joined a class “Playing for Ceilidh Dancing” led by the vastly experienced Geoff Bowen. I invited fellow students, a fiddler and a harpist (Sue Sheard from Addingham who very sadly died six years ago), to meet and play in Hawkswick. It was fun, we linked up with Gillian Walton, a wonderful caller from Giggleswick, called ourselves Buttered Peas, and the band has played on ever since, doing anything from about 6-18 gigs a year. The line-up has changed many times. Currently we are fiddle, octavo mandolin, guitar and



myself on the flute, “the last surviving pea in the pod,” as I say. We are acoustic instruments only but with our own sound system which includes a radio microphone for the caller so that she or he can be active among the dancers on the floor not directing operations from the stage. For me, when a ceilidh is going with a swing, people are really having sometimes hilarious fun and we are playing the lovely tunes for them to move and dance to, it gives me some of the most enjoyable and satisfying moments in life. Particularly moving have been the times we have played for asylum seekers and refugees in Bradford, Skipton, Leeds, Malhamdale, Scargill House and elsewhere. I call those occasions “Refugee Reel” and when I am playing in a hall full of people of all ages and many different colours, costumes, nationalities, languages, religions, united in joyous music and dancing it can make our troubled world feel a happier place for a while.

As the risks of Covid recede, hopefully, we look forward to playing again for ceilidh evenings in the Dales but....we do need to find a caller! Any offers?

Richard Hargreaves

November is upon us, heralding the month for fireworks in the skies to commence, while nature's fireworks draw to a close, as vibrantly coloured leaves drop from the trees and rest underfoot, beckoning winter.

We have heard the repeated caution to thoroughly check prepared bonfires before lighting them on or around the 5th, but most of the time we tend to think of hedgehogs being the creatures who seek out cosy spots for winter, unwittingly crawling into danger. Bonfires are also an ideal hiding place for amphibians as frogs, toads and newts, seek somewhere dark and insulated to hibernate and protect themselves from winter's frosts. Compost heaps and woodpiles provide the ideal environment and habitat, so it's always worth having a bit of a poke around for signs of life before commencing festivities.



and a valuable, free source of much needed Vitamin C. So much so that the public were asked to participate in a national foraging effort in order for the hips to be turned into a health-giving syrup which could be sold affordably in shops. Organizations such as scouts and girl guides were drafted in to give a helping hand in return for a small fee.

If you fancy having a go at making your own vitamin C rich rosehip syrup you will need 1 kilogram of hips (stalks removed) to make a litre, and there is plentiful advice on the best way to do this online. There are even recipes for alcoholic rosehip cocktails – that's sure to warm the cockles on a cold November evening!

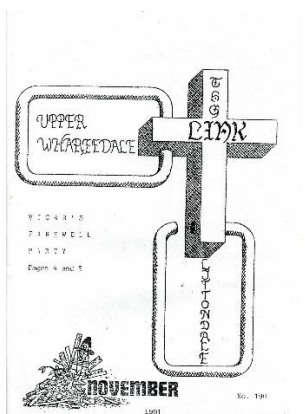


At this time of year, hedgerows and gardens fall dormant with sparks of colour sometimes hard to find. The dog rose is a welcome and notable exception to this with its eye-catching displays of attractive shiny red jewels providing a notable contrast to bare branches.

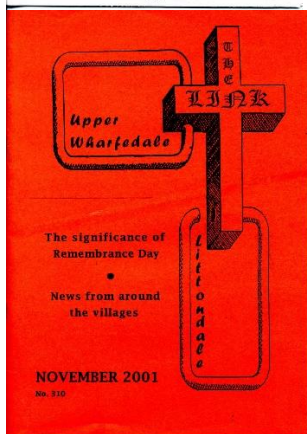
During World War two, the humble rosehip was seen as a precious commodity,



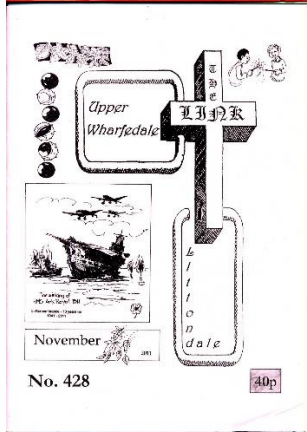
Links to the Past: 10, 20, 30 years ago



In the *Link* of November 1991, Janet Taylor reported on the farewell at Kettlewell Village Hall to Rev Ernest Blanchard and his wife Claire after their 8 years of ministry in Upper Wharfedale and Littondale. She noted that three aspects of the Vicar's work came to mind; the general feeling throughout all the parishes of people finding him easy and pleasant to work with, the memorable family services that he started in Arncliffe – in one of which he actually made a pancake in the pulpit! – and in contrast to that, the very helpful Good Friday meditation services which he conducted. The parishes showed their appreciation to the Blanchards, with a gift of £2000 towards their retirement.

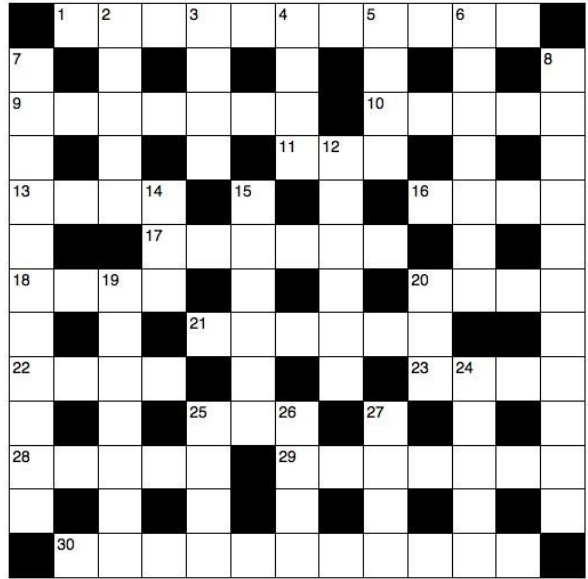


November 2001, and the *Link* included a report from Kettlewell School on their joint archaeology day with Arncliffe School at Amerdale Hall. They visited the site of an archaeological find, where a small bronze container had been discovered beside which lay a collection of bones, subsequently found to be of Anglo-Saxon origin. They returned to Amerdale Hall to discuss the remains, and those of 'Olwen', a woman whose skeleton was found in Kettlewell in 1997 and had lived there 1,400 years earlier. Kettlewell and Threshfield schools had also got together to learn more about alternative energies in the Dales and had an interesting time hearing about Percy Inman and the Kettlewell power station in 1913.



The November 2011 edition of the *Link* included an interesting report from the Kettlewell Women's Institute and their responsibility for the upkeep of the horse chestnut tree at the entrance to the village. 'The annual reading of the Resolution, first proposed in 1996, serves to remind members of this fact.' Apparently, the tree had suffered from 'bleeding canker', but thankfully no further deterioration! The *Link* also included an article from 1961 written by the vicar of Arncliffe, Rev Thorman, about the limited space in the churchyard. He estimated that burials averaged 10 a year, and as the churchyard had room for about 1,000 graves, he presumed for the last 700 years, burials had gone round the same ground every century as the churchyard was the family grave of the whole parish.

Crossword



Across

- 1 In David's battle with the Arameans, 700 of these were killed (2 Samuel 10:18) (11)
- 9 'No — , impure or greedy person has any inheritance in the kingdom of God' (Ephesians 5:5) (7)
- 10 City on the banks of the River Nile (5)
- 11 Stamped addressed envelope (1,1,1)
- 13 Taverns (4)
- 16 'Be on your guard; stand — in the faith' (1 Corinthians 16:13) (4)
- 17 'He will not always — , nor will he harbour his anger for ever' (Psalm 103:9) (6)
- 18 and 27 Down Where the magi came from and what guided them (Matthew 2:1–2) (4,4)
- 20 Ancient Celtic alphabet of 20 characters (4)
- 21 She married Esau when he was 40 years old (Genesis 26:34) (6)
- 22 A great-grandson of Noah (Genesis 10:7) (4)
- 23 Title accorded to certain Roman Catholic clerics (abbrev.) (4)
- 25 'My house will be a house of prayer; but you have made it a — of robbers' (Luke 19:46) (3)
- 28 Annie (anag.) (5)
- 29 Plead with (Zechariah 7:2) (7)
- 30 Tenth foundation of the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:20) (11)

Down

- 2 'We have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by — hands' (2 Corinthians 5:1) (5)
- 3 Uncommon excellence (Proverbs 20:15) (4)
- 4 'You have exalted my horn like that of a wild ox; fine — have been poured upon me' (Psalm 92:10) (4)
- 5 — Homo ('Behold the Man') (4)

- 6 'He has given proof of this to all men by — him from the dead' (Acts 17:31) (7)
- 7 'Our — is in heaven' (Philippians 3:20) (11)
- 8 'This is a day you are to — ' (Exodus 12:14) (11)
- 12 Assault (Psalm 17:9) (6)
- 14 'Jesus found a young donkey and — upon it' (John 12:14) (3)
- 15 Liverpool dialect (6)
- 19 'Remember the — day by keeping it holy' (Exodus 20:8) (7)
- 20 Nineteenth-century German physicist after whom the unit of electrical resistance is named (3)
- 24 Nazirites were not allowed to eat this part of a grape (Numbers 6:4) (5)
- 25 'If anyone would come after me, he must — himself and take up his cross and follow me' (Mark 8:34) (4)
- 26 Evil Roman emperor from AD54 to 68, responsible for condemning hundreds of Christians to cruel deaths (4)
- 27 See 18 Across

Solution on next page!

Community Events

The following events have been announced and details are inside the Link, however, please confirm with the organisers, as the situation may change.

THIS MONTH

Wed 3 Nov	Air Ambulance Coffee Morning, Blue Bell Inn
Thu 4 Nov	UWALS History Wardrobe - Agatha Christie, Kettlewell Village Hall
Sat 6 Nov	Kettlewell Village Hall Film Show – ‘Eye in the Sky’
Tue 9 Nov	Kettlewell WI; Roger Martlew, Changing face of the Yorkshire Dales’
Wed 10 Nov	Buckden Whist, Buckden Institute
Thu 11 Nov	Funk Wire, Amerdale Hall
Thu 11 Nov	UWALS AGM with speaker, David Joy, Conistone with Kilnsey Hall
Tue 16 Nov	Kettlewell Scarecrow Festival AGM, Kettlewell Village Hall
Wed 17 Nov	Arncliffe Parish Meeting
Thu 18 Nov	Kettlewell Luncheon Club
Thu 18 Nov	Funk Wire, Amerdale hall
Fri 19 Nov	UWALS Calligraphy workshop, Conistone with Kilnsey Hall
Sat 20 Nov	Children’s Society Coffee Morning
Tue 23 Nov	Litton Parish Meeting
Wed 24 Nov	Mobile library, Buckden
Wed 24 Nov	Buckden Whist, Buckden Institute

FUTURE EVENTS

Thu 2 Dec	UWALS Christmas Wreath workshop, Conistone with Kilnsey Hall
Fri 3 Dec	UWALS Christmas Concert, Maire Ni Cathasaigh & Chris Newman
Sat 4 Dec	Kettlewell Church Christmas Stall
Sat 4 Dec	Kettlewell Village Hall Film Show -‘Limbo’
Thu 9 Dec	Funk Wire, Amerdale Hall
Fri 10 Dec	UWALS Christmas Singalong Evening
Wed 22 Dec	Kettlewell Christmas Pantomime
Sat 15 Jan	Kettlewell Village Hall Film Show (film TBC)

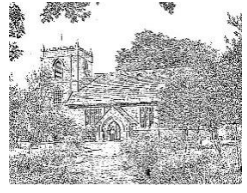
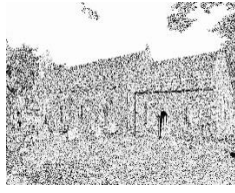
REGULAR EVENTS

What	When	Where
Play Table Tennis	Wed 4-5 pm and 5-7pm	Kettlewell Village Hall
Indoor Bowling	Wed 2-4 pm	Kettlewell Village Hall
Funk Wire	Thur -fortnightly 2 pm	Amerdale Hall, Arncliffe

Answers to Crossword

ACROSS: 1, Charioteers. 9, Immoral. 10, Cairo. 11, SAE. 13, Inns. 16, Firm. 17, Accuse. 18, East. 20, Ogam. 21, Judith. 22, Seba. 23, Msgr. 25, Den. 28, Inane. 29, Entreat. 30, Chrysopraxe.
DOWN: 2, Human. 3, Rare. 4, Oils. 5, Ecce. 6, Raising. 7, Citizenship. 8, Commemorate. 12, Assail. 14, Sat. 15, Scouse. 19, Sabbath. 20, Ohm. 24, Seeds. 25, Deny. 26, Nero. 27, Star.

Church Services



7 November

Arncliffe	09.30
Conistone	11.15
Hubberholme	18.30
Kettlewell	09.30

Holy Communion
Holy Communion
Evensong
Service of the Word

14 November; Remembrance Day Services

Arncliffe	09.30
Conistone	09.30
Hubberholme	10.30
Kettlewell	18.30

Service of the Word
Holy Communion
Holy Communion
Evening Prayer

21 November

Arncliffe	18.30
Conistone	09.30
Hubberholme	09.30
Kettlewell	11.15

Evening Prayer
Service of the Word
Holy Communion
Holy Communion

28 November

Arncliffe	11.15
Conistone	18.30
Hubberholme	09.30
Kettlewell	09.30

Holy Communion
Evensong
Service of the Word
Holy Communion

Wearing of face masks is not obligatory. We encourage people to wear them when moving around Church but, if they wish, remove them when settled in their pew. Physical distancing is no longer required inside Church, but we ask that people utilise all the available space in Church. We

encourage people to wear face masks if they wish to sing, but this is not obligatory. We ask people to sign in at the back of our Churches or to use the NHS app, but this is not obligatory. Our Churches are now open on most days for longer hours during the daytime.