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LINDA'S LETTER

FEBRUARY 2015

The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. Isaiah 11.6

This year among the many Christmas cards we received was one depicting the Edward Hicks painting titled 'The Peaceable Kingdom'. In 1812 Hicks – a Quaker minister – set off across the Pennsylvania countryside preaching in different churches. To finance his ministry, Hicks took to commercial painting: advertisements on the sides of barns and carriages and the like. But then he started painting scenes from the book of Isaiah chapter 65 – a vision often referred to as The Peaceable Kingdom. Hicks imagined a time when all human beings and wild beasts would lie down together in peace – and in the centre of every painting, was a little child to lead them, the figure of Christ, just as Isaiah foretold. Hicks grew frankly obsessed with the peaceable kingdom, painting canvas after canvas of this same basic motif, a total of 61 paintings in all.

The prophet Isaiah had a vision from God about what peace would look like: the end of weeping and crying; health and strength even for children and the old; houses to dwell in and vineyards rich with fruit; and best of all, the end of all forms of violence: safety and security for all. "No one will harm or destroy on my holy mountain" declares the Lord. Both Isaiah and Hicks saw peace so clearly, could imagine it in such detail, that they could literally paint it: one with his words, and the other with his brush. Yet neither man lived anything remotely resembling a peaceful life. The prophet Isaiah lived through a time of war and violence in Israel and had the job of calling his people to repentance complete with threats of fire and brimstone – not always a popular preaching message. While Hicks' life was marked by challenges as well: personal difficulties, serious church fights, failed farming efforts, and serious financial troubles.

Perhaps we too have known our fair share of personal struggles, financial problems, failed endeavours, and painful relationships. Sometimes we get the distinct feeling that all is not well with the world – not yet. Sometimes we experience the world around us as anything but the ideal peaceable kingdom. And as a result we start thinking of peace as something that we will experience when the situation and the timing are right, when the stars are aligned, when our luck changes, when the weather improves. But the peace that Jesus offers all his disciples – including us! – is within us. Christ's peace is not the peace that is out there, over here, coming some day, or some time – not peace that will happen when terrorist attacks cease or the right party or politician is elected. Jesus is clear that when we look out there somewhere for our peace, we will never find it. The peace that depends on a certain situation; that depends on other people, on whether someone likes us or not; peace that depends on a certain job or a certain figure in the bank – well, that is no peace at all.

'My peace I give to you, my peace I leave with you.' (John 14: 27)

Into our painful, broken, beautiful, outrageous lives, Jesus has come to give us his very own peace. So whether you wake up tomorrow and the sun is shining or the storms are raging, whether the sky is falling or the world is exploding, or your bank account is empty, or your teenager hates you or whatever: you can still in your heart find the kingdom of peace. The kingdom of God is among us and within us, because the Prince of Peace has come into our midst. **May the peace of God be with you, Revd Linda**

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Church services at Beetham in February

Date	Time	Service
1st Feb, Candlemas	10am	Parish Eucharist
1st Feb, Candlemas	6.30pm	Evensong
4th February	9.30am	Holy Communion
5th February	2.45pm	Edward Bear Club
6th February	2.45pm	School Assembly
8th Feb, 2nd before Lent	10am	Parish Eucharist
8th Feb, 2nd before Lent	6.30pm	Evensong
11th February	9.30am	Holy Communion
11th February	2.45pm	School Ashes Service
13th February	2.45pm	School Assembly
15th Feb, Sunday before Lent	10am	Parish Eucharist
15th Feb, Sunday before Lent	6.30pm	Evensong
18th Feb, Ash Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Communion with Ashes
20th February		School Half Term
22nd Feb, 1st of Lent	10am	Parish Communion
22nd Feb, 1st of Lent	6.30pm	Evensong
25th February	9.30am	Holy Communion
26th February	3.15-4.15	Egg-splorers Group
27th February	2.45pm	School Assembly

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Travellers of the Heart
Exploring different Christian traditions
on our journey through life
A study day with Canon Michael Mitton



Drawing on his own experiences of different traditions within the church, Michael will explore how our faith and mission can be deepened by these encounters.

Saturday 14th March 2015, 10.30am-3pm
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Tea and coffee provided, please bring your own lunch – there are shops locally. Please let us know you are coming, or for more info:
www.michaelmitton.co.uk or www.kendalparishchurch.co.uk

Funerals

Our prayers and condolences are with the family of:~

Sally Joan Rawkins, 12th January
formerly of Slackhead and Arnside

Beetham Church Electoral Roll 2015

The Church electoral roll is revised every year ahead of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in April. To join the roll you must fill in a form—just living in the Parish or regularly attending church does not qualify you to vote at the APCM unless you complete this form every 6 years—and return it to the electoral roll officer, John Dugdale. This enables you to vote at the APCM for members of the Parochial Church Council and the Deanery Synod.

The current list will be displayed on the porch noticeboard during March and new members are invited to join for 2015

FRIENDS OF BEETHAM CHURCH

A reminder that the Beetham Church Heritage Trust is registered with the on-line donation website at www.easyfundraising.org.uk/bcht

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March edition of The Gateway

The Gateway welcomes news and other articles of interest to our readership and would be pleased to receive articles for print. The deadline for the next edition is lunchtime

Wednesday 25th February 2015

Please send contributions to the editor:-

Jenny Marks

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Women's World Day of Prayer 2015

Following Egypt Day in 2014 at Beetham, 2015 is Bahamas Day and a local celebration of prayer will take place at

St James Church Arnside

6th March 2pm

Service prepared by Christian women of the Bahamas

Shrove Tuesday & Ash Wednesday

Shrove Tuesday commemorates the eve of Lent, marking 40 days and nights of fasting and prayers before Easter. The word Shrove comes from the Old English word, Shrive - to confess ones sins. Lent is a time of giving things up and so that no food was wasted families would have a feast on shiving Tuesday, and eat everything that wouldn't last the 40 days of Lent without going off. The need to eat up the fats gave rise to the French name *Mardi Gras* ('fat Tuesday'), and pancakes became associated with Shrove Tuesday as they were a dish that could use up all the eggs, fats and milk in the house

Pancake races are said to have begun in 1445. A woman had lost track of time on Shrove Tuesday, and was busy cooking pancakes when she heard the church bell calling the faithful to church. The woman raced out of her house and ran all the way to church - still holding her frying pan and wearing her apron!

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. In the Ash Wednesday service churchgoers are marked on the forehead with a cross of ashes. The use of ashes, made by burning palm crosses from the previous year's Palm Sunday, is a symbol of being penitent for things they have done wrong and a reminder that they all come from ashes, and to ashes they will return

Lent at Beetham

11th Feb ~ School Act of Worship for Lent at 2.45pm

17th Feb ~ Shrove Tuesday Supper & Quiz at 7.30pm
see back page for details

18th Feb ~ Ash Wednesday Communion at 9.30am

11th March ~ Lent Drop-in Soup Lunch in church
donations in aid of St John's Hospice

Bygone Beetham - Farleton



This view from around 1910 is of the lane behind the old Duke Inn to Farleton village. Farleton marks the eastern boundary of Beetham Church Parish and is mentioned in the Domesday Book

The inn thrived in the days of the Lancaster to Kendal turnpike road and canal, but closed over 50 years ago. It was named after the Duke of Cumberland who passed through the village in 1745, but who later famously became known as 'the Butcher' for his part in crushing the Jacobite Rebellion

In 1870-72, John Marius Wilson's 'Imperial Gazetteer of England and Wales' described Farleton as:

"a township in Beetham parish, Westmoreland; on the river Beetha, near the Lancaster canal, 2½ miles ESE of Milnthorpe. Acres: 1,175; Popn: 92; Houses: 13. A limestone eminence here, called Farleton Knot, has an appearance similar to the Rock of Gibraltar"



EPIPHANY

**Out in the open on Cumbrian fells
Herdwick sheep give birth to their lambs,
hearing the first faltering cries
under a freezing, crystal sky
with Sirius the dog star, riding high.**

**The Son of God born in a cold stable
cradled in straw with ox and ass,
a human birth foretold by an angel:
from the fields made dumb with fright,
shepherds marvelled at the sight.**

**The worst time of year for a journey:
wise men bringing gifts, gold for kingship,
frankincense; myrrh for his embalming;
riding on camels they came from afar
following the bright Bethlehem star.**

**Just as the magi brought their offering
spring will return with her treasures:
bird song, blossom, fresh leaves unfurling,
cold and harshness then fade away
banished by the glory of Easter Day.**

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School Corner



Our Spring Term has got off to a busy start. Our first day back after the holidays was Epiphany which we celebrated in church by adding our POSADA kings to the crib. Mary, Joseph and the donkey had travelled round many of our families during Advent before returning to church at our Carol Service. We were delighted to be able to donate £100 to the Children's Society following a collection after our musical and service in church.

The Northern Inter Schools Christian Union (NISCO) came in January and gave us a wonderful puppet show, based on the story of the Three Kings visiting Jesus.

People who live or drive through the village will have seen lots of work going on during the holidays as we have had a new kitchen fitted to help with our provision for Universal Infant Free School Meals. This includes a super new cooker which is also being used for our weekly cookery lessons provided by parents. The children in the photographs are busy cooking 'Crostini', which were delicious!



This week we were really pleased to be able to take part in the Primary School Cross Country Competition, organised by Penny Garnett from Dallam School. This was a super event with children taking part from 9 local schools, competing against others in their age group. All the children from Beetham had a great time and particular congratulations go to Emilia Wood and Ian Bethell who were medal winners in their races.

Our handbell groups are still going well with the support of Mrs Marks and Mrs Fielden. Next week we are looking forward to a visit to the church to learn more about the church bells and how they are played.

If anyone is free to work with us at school we are still looking for adults to hear readers for about half an hour a week, 1.15pm, Wed, Thurs, Fri. Please contact us at school if this is something you could help with to support our children in acquiring this vital skill.

Best wishes, Wendy Nicholas



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Beetham & Beyond

Beetham Sports AGM

The Beetham Sports AGM at the Wheatsheaf on 14th January 2015 elected the following officers: President - Angela King, Chairman - Simon Greenwood, Vice-Chairman - David Shaw, Treasurer - Cheryl Greenwood, and Secretary - Dennis Wright

Various business issues were discussed and it was reported that the 2014 Sports had generated a profit of £2000, due mainly to a great turn out on the day and some very generous donations from local regular supporters. The Sports Committee agreed the following grants:

- £1000 for Beetham Church towards a new LED lighting system in the nave and choir area.
- £500 for Beetham Primary School for equipment.
- £300 towards the cutting of the top churchyard.
- £500 for Hale Bowling Club towards some clubhouse repairs.
- £100 for Milnthorpe Fire Brigade towards the Firemen's Benevolent Fund.
- £100 for the Bay Search & Rescue Charity.
- £100 for Beetham W.I.

In the last two years, the Committee has agreed grants totalling £6000 to local organisations. A great effort by all concerned!

Dennis Wright, Secretary

with
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thanks
to
Beetham
Sports
Committee

MILLING DEMONSTRATION

Friday 20th February
11.30am – 12.30pm



Tickets Adults £5.00, children under 16 free

Come and see the traditional millstones grind grain into flour. Join a guided tour by the miller and volunteers, buy a bag of wholemeal spelt or wheat flour and enjoy refreshments in the barn afterwards

1 free tea/coffee/soft drink with each adult ticket



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School fundraising 2015

Friday 20th March, Easter Bingo. Doors open 6pm, eyes down 6.30pm! All ages welcome

Saturday 2nd May, Beetham's Big Duck Day.

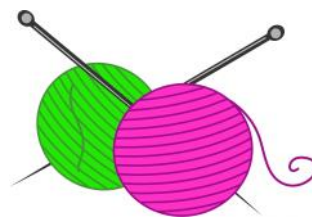
Dazzling duckreations around the village, Duck Races, and lots of stalls and fun duck activities for everyone

Sunday 10th May, Dallam Tower Open Garden. The school will again be running a refreshments and cakes stall

Events can only take place if there are enough volunteers to help with planning, setting up, and assisting on the day. If you are willing to help or have any other suggestions for fundraising please let Beetham CE School know



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What's On Guide



February
Programme

art
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music
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Friday 6th February 7.30pm
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Sunday 9th February Matinée Chamber Music 2.30pm
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Friday 13th February 7.30pm
Summoned By Bells Tim Heath

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Saturday 21st February 7.30pm
MAIA Laughing Dog Music

With trumpet, banjo, mandolin and percussion, this four piece band create a radiant varied sound and stunning harmonies.

Friday 27th February 7.30pm
The Autumn of Han Red Dragonfly Productions

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Quest

Quest meets regularly in the Athenaeum, Leasgill and talks begin shortly after 10am, with coffee later

12th Feb – 'My Extra-Marital Affair' by David Ratcliffe
26th Feb – 'E H Booth & C Ltd Past & Present' speaker tba

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Recent talks by Mo Holland & Andy Lowe were very well received
Contact John Whitehead on 015395 62101



BEETHAM WI

5th February at 7pm
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LUNCH CLUBS - Meet noon for 12.30pm lunch

Arnside Lunch Club 1st Friday of each month at **The Albion, Arnside.** Janet Bolton 01524 762559
Storth Lunch Club 2nd Thursday of each month at **The Kingfisher, Sandside.** Norah Padgett 015395 62887
Sandside Lunch Club 3rd Wednesday of each month at **The Ship, Sandside.** Janet Bolton 01524 762559

GENTLE EXERCISE CLASSES & REFRESHMENTS

Wednesday 10.30am **Storth Village Hall.** Mike Crawford: 015395 60736
Friday 10am **Arnside Methodist Church Hall.** Eileen Walters: 01524 761720

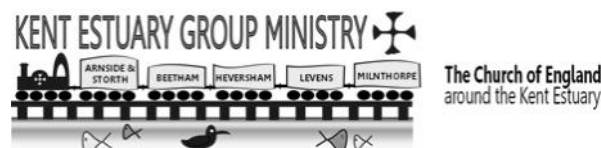
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You will all now be aware that the initial application by Fishwick's Funeral Services to construct a public crematorium at Beetham Hall was refused by SLDC, as recommended by the Parish Council. This was followed soon after by an amended application for the same development, for which the Parish Council again recommended refusal as its principal objections had still not been seriously addressed. SLDC also refused this amended application. Meanwhile, we understand that a separate application from another developer, to build a crematorium at an alternative site near Junction 36 of the M6, can be expected. We await this application with interest although we may not be asked to comment as the site lies just outside Beetham parish.

The Parish Council's project to improve the small plot of land at Dixies, on the B5282 at Sandside, is moving slowly forward. The initial delivery of stones has been positioned with the object of preventing vehicle access and a further delivery has been ordered to form a small sea barrier against high tides. Once that is in position, basic landscaping will be undertaken. The stones at the A6 layby at Beetham are now in place and serving to protect the grass verge from the damage caused by car-parking. However, car-parking spaces in Beetham village are limited and the roads narrow. This makes it unsuited to today's volume of traffic, so more work needs to be done to find a solution. There is news about the two Parish Council-owned plots of land in the parish. Members of the public will soon see the commencement of selective work on the many trees in Sandside Cutting. This is a necessary part of land management, done in conjunction with the AONB, and please be assured that the remaining trees will, in due course, be all the healthier and more attractive for it. The sizeable plot of land just off Leighton Beck Road, at Beetham, was acquired a couple of years ago in order to protect and preserve it against development. However, a small number of garages are sited on this land under verbal agreements with the Parish Council. Additionally the land is often used for the parking of extra cars by both the tenants and visitors. As from April 2015, it is the intention to introduce simple written agreements for the garage tenants in order to give the Parish Council more control over its use and so fulfil the objectives of protection and preservation.

Councils are about to begin the annual process of setting their budgets for the following financial year – in this case 2015/16. SLDC has again decided to pass on to parishes the full Council Tax Grant from central government and not to increase its own Council Tax rate, which is very welcome news for local taxpayers. Nonetheless the county is being obliged to make stringent expenditure cuts, which will be felt in its future services – including police presence on the streets (and at council meetings). Against this background there is a trend for more services to be run locally and your Parish Council would like to hear of any local projects you suggest it could usefully tackle. The Parish Council continues to give both financial and manpower support for the valuable work done by the Arnside & Silverdale AONB as well as co-operating with it on planning and policy matters. Similarly its own policy is to offer small grants to other local groups or organisations. Grant applications for 2014/15 will be considered at its March 2015 meeting.



Sunday Worship in the Kent Estuary area

ARNSIDE ST JAMES

8.00am: BCP Holy Communion
10.30am: Morning Worship, usually with Communion.
2nd Sunday: All-age Worship
6.30pm: 1st Sunday various styles of worship
Info: arnsidechurch.webplus.net Revd David Cooper 01524 761319

BEETHAM ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

10.00am: Parish Communion
6.30pm: Choral Evensong
Info: beethamstmichaelandallangels.co.uk
Revd Linda Lonsdale 015395 62412

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8.00am: BCP Holy Communion
2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays
9.30am: Main Service:
1st and 3rd Sundays: Parish Communion (CW)
2nd Sunday: Communion Praise (contemporary worship)
4th Sunday: All Age Worship
4.00pm - 5.00pm: Messy Church for Families on 3rd Sunday
6.30pm: Evening Prayer with hymns on the 4th Sunday
Info: stpetersheversham.org Revd Susan Wilson 015395 63125

LEVENS ST JOHN

10.00am: Parish Communion: 2nd Sunday All-age worship
Info: levens.org.uk Revd Ruth Crossley 015395 60223

MILNTHORPE ST THOMAS

8.00am: BCP Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays
11.00am: Main Services 1st, 2nd and 4th: CW Communion
3rd Sunday: Morning Praise
11.00am: every week Sunday Circle for children
6.30pm: on the 2nd Sunday: Café Church
Info: Revd Susan Wilson 015395 63125

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Clerk: Mr J R Scargill 01524-782811
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arnsidemethodistchurch.org.uk

MILNTHORPE
10.30am 3rd Sunday of month
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Firs Rd Children's Centre

LEVENS
10.30am levens.org.uk
Info: Revd David Stretton
01524 761397

ROMAN CATHOLIC SERVICES

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES
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Sunday, 9.30am

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