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"What's in a name", asked the Bard.

Well, guite a lot where July and August are concerned. These two months, unlike the other ten months of the year, are named after historical figures, real flesh and blood people. The month of July is named after Julius Caesar, the most famous Roman general, who is known to have visited England in 55 and 54 BC. Julius Caesar was born in the month Quintilis (fifth month) and his birth month was renamed to honour his military exploits and his political leadership. The month of Julius became the seventh month of the year when the Julian calendar was introduced (by Julius Caesar!) in 46 BC.

August was formerly known as Sextilis (sixth month) in the Roman calendar, the sixth month from March, which is when the year began (January and February were added later). The month was renamed Augustus in 8 BC in honour of the first Roman Emperor. Augustus, also known as Octavian (complicated isn't it?), was the areat-nephew and nominated heir of Julius Caesar. Augustus (Octavian) considered it his 'lucky' month: it was the month in which he first became Consul of Rome and also the month in which he brought to an end the civil wars which had ravaged the fledgling Roman state.

In Latin the name Augustus means magnificent and there can be little argument that, in nature at least, August is a magnificent month. The days are still long, the summer sun (yes, I know!) has warmed the sea and the land and growth is at its luxuriant best, with the promise of an abundant harvest to follow. July and August together form the heart of our summer and mark the turning point between the early promise and growth of Spring and the maturity and fulfilment of Autumn.

These months have witnessed many major historical events: in 1776, on July 4th, the American Declaration of Independence asserted the sovereign independence of the former British colony; on 14th July 1789 the storming of the Bastille is generally recognised as the first major event of the French Revolution and the major upheaval and shift of power that it came to symbolise. On 20th July 1969 Neil Armstrong spoke those immortal words: "One small step for a man; one giant leap for mankind" as he set foot on the moon.

In the Church's year July and August are in 'Ordinary Time'. This is the official designation of the period between Pentecost and Advent, sometimes referred to as 'weeks after Trinity' and 'weeks before Advent'. Although there are numerous Christian feasts during Ordinary Time, in the months of July and August there is only one: The Transfiguration of our Lord. This is an important festival in the Christian Church, marking as it does the recognition of Jesus by his companions as the son of God, as a deistic being: human but godly.

As I write, we are looking forward to the next stage in the process of finding our new priest for St Michael & All Angels. We have produced our Parish Profile: this is the document which shows what we are, who we are, what we believe, what we are looking for. It says, this is Beetham St Michael & All Angels: we have a lot to offer. Please come and help us to grow as a church, as a community, as individuals. The advertisement has been placed in all the relevant places and we are anticipating a busy time as we read, sift, prioritise, invite, greet, interview and hopefully appoint the person who will become part of our church, our village, our community. By the time you read the September edition of Gateway, we shall know who this person is to be.

Half of the year is now behind us. What do the next couple of months hold for us, apart (hepefully) from the appointment of a new priest? Well, the promise of summer holidays; a welcome break and chance to recharge the batteries; a chance to spend 'quality time' with friends and family free of the constraints of the working week and the school term; the chance to experience new places and make new friends; the chance to draw breath after the hectic months of the first half of the year and to look forward to the opportunities and challenges of the months to come. Enjoy. Brian Smalley

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Fri 6th July Sun 8th July <i>6th after Trinity</i>	9.30am 9am 10am 6pm 9.30am	*Communion by Extension School Assembly Parish Eucharist Evensong	
Sun 8th July 6th after Trinity	10am 6pm	Parish Eucharist	
6th after Trinity	6pm		
	-	Evensong	
Wed 11th July	9.30am	Evensong	
5		*Communion by Extension	
Fri 13th July	9am	School Assembly	
Sat 14th July	1.00pm	Wedding	
Sun 15th July	10am	Parish Eucharist	
7th after Trinity	брт	No Evensong (see KEG)	
	9.30am	*Communion by Extension	
Wed 18th July	2pm	School Leaver's Assembly	
Sun 22nd July	10am	Parish Eucharist	
8th after Trinity	6pm	Evensong	
Wed 25th July	9.30am	*Communion by Extension	
Sun 29th July	10am	Parish Eucharist	
9th after Trinity	6pm	Said Evening Service	
Wed 1st Aug	9.30am	*Communion by Extension	
Sun 5th Aug	10am	Parish Eucharist	
10th after Trinity	6pm	Evensong	
Wed 8th Aug	9.30am	*Communion by Extension	
Sun 12th Aug	10am	Parish Eucharist	
11th after Trinity	6pm	Evensong	
Wed 15th Aug	9.30am	*Communion by Extension	
Sun 19th Aug	10am	Parish Eucharist	
12th after Trinity	6pm	Evensong	
Wed 22nd Aug	9.30am	*Communion by Extension	
Sat 25th Aug	2.00pm	Wedding	
Sun 26th Aug	10am	Parish Eucharist	
13th after Trinity	6pm	Evensong	
Wed 29th Aug	9.30am	*Communion by Extension	

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Andrew James Edmunds & Rebecca Rose Brown

The marriage of Michael Rodney Sharples & Emma Rachel Wood took place on Saturday 9th June

We wish the happy couples Faith, Hope & Love in their future lives together

Funeral

Our prayers and condolences are with the family of

> Joyce Halhead Tuesday 12th June

Burial

Our prayers and condolences are with the family of

> Kathleen Harrison Thursday 28th June

Church Choir

Do you enjoy singing? We have a robed church choir that is looking for new members. Under the enjoyable direction of our organist Geoff Field we have an expanding repertoire of anthems and hymns



The choir practice time is changing from 3rd July to Tuesday afternoons between 4.30-5.30pm in church. Please come along and join us - more altos, tenors and basses would be particularly welcome!

> Wednesday morning services marked * are Public Worship with Communion by Extension

Please check Church noticeboards or beethamstmichaelandallangels.co.uk for any changes

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CHURCH

CHIMES





Friday, 6th July 12.30-1.15pm Kendal Parish Church

Percy Fletcher ~ Festival March on St. George

Titelouze ~ Veni Creator Guilmant ~ March on Handel's Lift up your Heads'

Bach ~ Chorale Prelude Herzlich thut mich verlangen'

Brahms ~ Chorale Prelude Herzlich thut mich verlangen Howells ~ Master Tallis's Testament

Tournemire ~ Improvisation sur le Te Deum'

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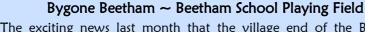
SUNDAY 15th JULY

at **5.00** pm

•• MILNTHORPE GREEN

Music provided by Capernwray College Come early and bring a picnic! from **4.00pm** there will be : hot and cold drinks and children's games

> (if wet - in St Thomas' Church) Everyone welcome, especially visitors! - limited seating - bring your own if you can



The exciting news last month that the village end of the Beetham Sports field is now officially part of Beetham CE School brings the educational use of that area full circle

The oldest recorded school in Beetham was located on the corner of Stanley Street (circled) opposite Ashton House. The small school had ETHAM been there since 1610, and rebuilt twice in 1633 and 1820. Next door there was a cow shed and stable, and a brew house and peat house further up the road. All of these buildings were demolished around 1840, as John Yeats Thexton, son of the Revd Joseph Thexton and owner of Ashton House, wanted to move the road away from the front of his house to the route of the Slackhead road as it is today

> Revd William Hutton's Beetham Repository records "in July 1841 the old school in the village of Beetham was taken down and a new school was built by John Yeats Thexton esq., at his own expense, near the Turnpike Gate House, and open on the 12th day of September following"

Yeats Thexton's school - now The Heron Theatre - was extended in 1871 and further improved, but was deemed unsuitable for education. The present school was built in 1904 in the old Toll House on land on the opposite side of the road donated by Maurice Bromley-Wilson of Dallam Tower. The 'new' playing field gives a wonderful addition to the school facilities. Welcome back home Beetham School!

Handbell Holiday

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Following the generous donation from the Beetham Sports Committee last year we are pleased to report that the new large bell (C#) has now been cast by Bells of Whitechapel



The next step is to tune the new bell to the existing set of bells. As a result, four bells have been taken down to Kent for several weeks, and will also have some maintenance work carried out on them whilst they are there

We are looking forward to the return of the bells - at the moment the missing bells in any piece are simply filled in by some judicious La La's by the relevant ringer...



Village Coffee Morning **Wednesday** 4th July in the Church

Pop in for delicious homemade cakes. coffee and chat

There is no charge & all are welcome



The Friends of Beetham Church invite you to join in more **fun**draising activities planned for this year. Some dates for your diary are shown below, but there are also other events coming up. Look out for more details in The Gateway and on the What's On page of our website

Beetham Sports Church Stall ~ Saturday 28th July Harvest Supper ~ Friday 5th October Otto Voce ~ Saturday 13th October

Armistice 100th Anniversary ~ Sunday 11th Nov

Friends Membership is by Annual subscription of £10, a one-off payment of £100 for Life membership, or £150 for joint Life members. If you would like play a part in maintaining our beautiful church for future generations please pick up a leaflet at the back of church, download the forms from the Heritage Trust page of the website at beethamstmichaelandallangels.co.uk or email beethamnews@aol.com for a Membership pack. If you are a taxpayer, please also consider completing the Gift Aid declaration in the same pack

Church Quinquennial Inspection

Within the Church of England every church building must be inspected by an architect or chartered building surveyor approved by the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) every five years. This is to ensure that church buildings are kept in good repair

The latest inspection for St Michael & All Angels was due this year, and was carried out in June by our Church Architect, Mike Darwell. The inspection looks at all aspects of the fabric of the church, both inside and out (and on the roof!)



A detailed report is then produced of the condition of the building, giving prioritised recommendations for any repairs or maintenance that need to be carried out over the next five years

The quinquennial report is one of the key documents which assists our Parochial Church Council (PCC) in the care of the church, for which it is legally responsible. The report is read by the DAC, the archdeacon and by any grant-giving bodies which the PCC approaches. We await the outcome of this year's inspection with interest...



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It hardly seems possible that I am now writing the final School Corner of our academic year. It doesn't seem a moment since we were welcoming our new Reception children and now they are moving to Year 1 and we are getting ready to say good by to another group of children in Year 6. Our Leavers' Service takes place in church on Wednesday 18th July at 2pm and we would like to welcome the church and village community to this special service where we think abut the wonderful memories that have been created and wish the children in Year 6 good luck for the future. Talking of wonderful memories.... The 6th June saw a group of 25 children and 10 adults travel to the Royal

Talking of wonderful memories.... The 6th June saw a group of 25 children and 10 adults travel to the Royal Opera House in London for a performance of Swan Lake. This was organised by one of our parents and the matinee performance came free with a travel grant to enable us to go. When we arrived having taken the train and tube we were treated to a very special lunch experience where 'swans' mingled amongst the children and a quartet played excerpts from the ballet. We then couldn't believe our luck when we were seated in boxes - 3 pupils and an adult - just along from the Royal Box. The performance itself was spellbinding with amazing dancing, costumes, scenery and a full orchestra. Everyone had the most wonderful day and it was a privilege to take such an enthusiastic and impeccably behaved group of children to a really fantastic performance which I'm sure they will remember forever.

KS1 were lucky enough to have an outdoor morning at Trowbarrow organised by the AONB. They built dens, studied wildlife and plants and took part in a scavenger hunt as well as enjoying Forest School games and activities. The children in Yr 1 & 2 are now looking forward to a visit to Tree Top Nets at Brockhole next week. Mrs Tattersall's class are busy looking after some caterpillars. The children have been able to watch them grow and change into cocoons. They are now hoping that they will hatch into beautiful butterflies before the end of term so that they can be released into our garden.

Yr 5 & 6 spent a wonderful few days in Edinburgh with the children from Old Hutton School. They stayed in a hostel just off the Royal Mile and visited as many attractions as possible during their four days: Edinburgh Zoo, Mary King's Close, Camera Obscura, Scottish Parliament, Holyrood House, Calton Hill, The National Museum and the Museum of Childhood. In addition they climbed Arthur's Seat, went 10 pin bowling and ate out in restaurants each evening. This was the first residential to Edinburgh for our school and it was a huge success with both staff and children and definitely an experience we would like to repeat!

So as always in the run up to our end of term I would like to thank the church and village community for their support during this year and I look forward to keeping you up to date with everything that goes on at our village school in the new academic year.

Thank you from everyone at Beetham CE Primary School Best wishes for the Summer, Wendy Nicholas









Beetham & Beyond





BEETHAM & HALE VILLAGE SPORTS 2018 1PM Saturday 28th July on Beetham School Sports Field

Childrens' Fancy **Dress** Competition

Judging starts at 1.15pm on the Field Free entry to the Sports for each child in Fancy Dress

Entry Adult £2.50; Child 50p; Free on-field parking

Mega Raffle ~ First Prize £200 and many other prizes The Famous Fell Race Adult & Children's Races **Cumberland & Westmorland Wrestling** Tug of War Side Stalls, Games & Refreshments

The Sports Committee is looking for volunteers to help set up the sports field and/or to assist on the Sports Day. If you can spare a couple of hours to help please speak to Simon Greenwood or call Dennis Wright on 015395 62365

What's On Guide

Beetham WI - A Busy Month!!

In early June we welcomed members of Hutton and Howick WI to Beetham. This was part of our challenge to link with other WI's who are 100 years old in 2018. The day started well with refreshments in the church, whilst Brian Smalley gave a short history of the magnificent building. There followed a local walk, with a late lunch duly taken in The Wheatsheaf and enjoyed by all.



The festivities continued later in June with a celebration tea on the school field, which was accompanied by Arnside Ukelele Band. With the magnificent new sports committee marguee, we were able to seat over

'Any idea what is happening?'



80 past and present members of Beetham and local WI's, plus invited guests from the village. Everyone had an enjoyable and happy afternoon - even the unexpected few hours of heavy rain did not dampen our spirits.

Beethon

What amazing weather we are having and it looks as though we have a summer at last. It is a strange coincidence that it has been fair since the success of the flower festival this year. A veritable feast for the senses. Beetham's own Band was very much on show throughout the weekend. We were having a great time and I hope everyone

could see that.

That is how we are. Music feeds the soul in a unique way. It breaks down barriers and relieves stress. You make new friends, strengthen bonds already forged. You create music. It is special and it is on your doorstep at Beetham Church every Saturday at 10.30am. We have been very generously allowed to practice there. It is perfect and cool in this hot spell.

How can we tempt you? It is NEVER TOO LATE TO LEARN. YOU NEVER FORGET HOW TO READ MUSIC. YOU ARE NEVER EVER TOO OLD. at is not enough to entice you the Cumbria music hub has an instrument loan scheme..... Should that not be enough there is talk of band waistcoats...... It is all good

Please feel free to call me, Tess, on 015395 63254 for more information.

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Presentation in church



Long may the fun continue! Sarah Easton, WI President





BEETHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER ISSUE No 34 APRIL - JUNE 2018

Residents of Carr Bank will be glad that their wrecked bus shelter has now been replaced by a smart new one; as we hoped, the full cost of this has been met by the third party responsible for the damage. We are pleased with the effect that the new 'smiley' speed indicator device (SID) on Sandside promenade is having on traffic speeds and arrangements are now almost in place to recover the valuable statistical data recorded by the equipment. This will then be passed to Storth School for analysis under the supervision of Mrs Jessica Harvey, a former BPC member, who is keen to promote awareness amongst the children of how this information can be used to reduce traffic accidents – and, of course, to save lives.

Another project has also been successfully completed. Users of the B5282 at Sandside will have seen that the so-called orchid triangle at the end of Quarry Lane is now protected by boulders provided free-of-charge by the quarry and worked into position by AONB volunteers and others. The site is already attracting visitors, keen to view and photograph the rare orchids. The new information panels are now with us and remain to be framed and erected at the three nominated sites in the parish - Storth Village Hall, Four Lane Ends crossroads and Beetham village centre. We are sure that residents and visitors alike will find them both attractive and informative.

Interest in the commemoration of the end of World War 1 is starting to grow, as the one hundredth anniversary nears. The schools at Beetham and Storth, and Wings School at Whassett, are now all engaged in producing plans for what form this

commemoration might take. For its own part, the parish council is happy to join in to help with any such plans. Councillors have also shown interest in the 'silent soldiers' scheme adopted by some parishes elsewhere in the country. This is use of life-size silhouettes of WW1 soldiers, placed at key points through the parish – both indoors and outdoors. We hope to have more news of this project in the next edition of our newsletter.

The defibrillator project for Beetham village drags on. As you will be aware, the main problem has been finding a suitable central location for such equipment. There is concern that, whereas the Storth area is well served with this life-saving equipment, no such facility yet exists in Beetham - except in Beetham school, which is too far removed from the village centre to meet the criteria for general use. However, we hope to report in our next edition that this problem has been resolved and we can proceed with providing this vital facility for Beetham residents and the **HEVERSHAM ST PETER** many visitors who come to enjoy our parish.

There is no further news about the Beetham sports field but it is hoped that a meeting with the authorities responsible will soon take place to discuss measures to deal with future flooding risks, particularly at Parsonage Fold and Stanley Street. A meeting earlier in the year between Cumbria's Police & Crime Commissioner and representatives from local parishes proved useful in getting to know the man in the hot seat; we heard about his priorities and problems and he listened to ours.

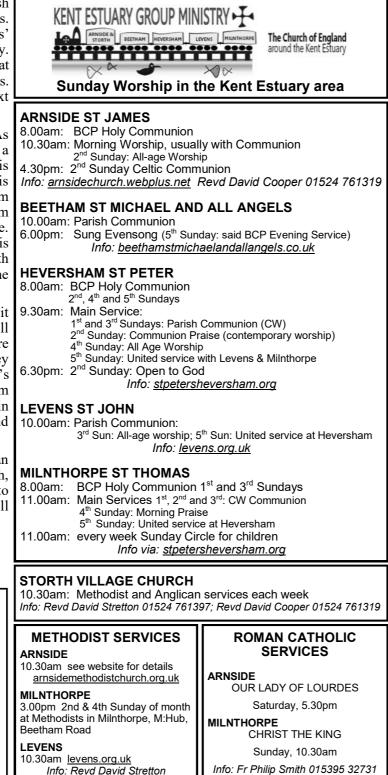
Finally, there has been interest in the BPC vacancy for an additional member to represent the East Ward of the parish, following the resignation of Cllr Pru Jupe. We hope to finalise an appointment over the coming weeks and will report fully in our next newsletter.

Clerk: Mr J R Scargill 01524 782811 Chair: Dr B C Meakin 015395 65722

Beetham Parish Council

The next meeting will be on **Monday 2nd July** at 7pm in Beetham CE School

Members of the public are welcome to attend Minutes of previous meetings and details of the current East and West Ward Councillors can be found on the website at www.beethampc.co.uk



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