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News from the churches and community
of Bolton-le-Sands and Nether Kellet

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**Youth Mission
to South Africa**



**Churches Trip to
Blackpool**



**Crossroads
Mission Weekend**

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Services

Worship at Holy Trinity

One Sunday in each month will be 'Morning Praise' which is not a communion service.

Sunday	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Holy Communion
Wednesday	10.00am	Holy Communion

First Friday Worship

The first Friday of each month at Holy Trinity at 7.00pm - followed by refreshments and fellowship.

Details of services are displayed on the outside notice board, and are given in The Link each Sunday.

Worship at St Mark's Nether Kellet

Sundays	9.00am	
First Sunday		Holy Communion - Common Worship
Second Sunday		Morning Prayer
Third Sunday		Holy Communion - Book of Common Prayer
Fourth Sunday		Morning Prayer
Fifth Sunday		Morning Prayer

Worship at Christ Church United Reformed Church

4th Sept	10.00am	Rev G Lear Flowers from J Morris
11th Sept	10.00am	Rev G Barton Flowers from J Jones
18th Sept	10.00 am	Rev D Atkinson (Harvest) Flowers from Wedding
25th Sept	10.00am	Worship Group Flowers from M Dickinson and R Heaton
2nd Oct	10.00am	Rev G Lear Flowers from K & J Walton

Christ Church United Reformed Church

Mr G Shaw - Treasurer	67644
Miss A Shaw - Secretary	67644

During the vacancy the Revd David Greenwood will be our pastoral link person. If anyone needs a minister please contact the Church Secretary

Mass times at St. Mary of The Angels

Sundays	9.00am
Monday and Friday	10.00am

See notice board by the Church gate for variations



Ministry Message

On the **8th to 11th September**, Blackburn Diocese will be holding a **Crossroads Mission** weekend. This is an opportunity for us as a diocese to unite in locally organised mission, working alongside the Archbishop of York, John Sentamu and 15-20 bishops of the North. The essence of Crossroads is local churches engaging in local mission and **The Right Revd Frank White, Assistant Bishop of Newcastle** and his team are coming to our deanery to support our events.

The Right Revd Frank White became the Assistant Bishop of Newcastle in 2010 after eight years as Bishop of Brixworth in the Diocese of Peterborough and before that his ministry was in his native North East for over twenty years. Bishop Frank, prior to his ordination in 1980, was a youth worker on the streets of Manchester City Centre and identifies these years as key in the formation of his ministry. He is married to Alison, recently made Bishop of Hull, and soon after Crossroads he will be retiring and joining her as she continues her episcopal duties in York Diocese. He has a great love for bird watching and is a keen football fan, hoping that Newcastle will do better things in the Championship.

The Revd Canon John Sinclair is the Diocesan Evangelism Adviser for the Diocese of Newcastle and a Residentiary Canon at Newcastle Cathedral. Canon Sinclair became a Christian when he approached the local church to arrange his marriage to Gill. They have 4 grown up children and 5 grandchildren. He works across the diocese of Newcastle helping parishes connect with their local communities, as well as ministering in the Cathedral. He loves meeting new people and is energised by sharing God's love in word and action.

The Revd Captain Steve Dixon is an Assistant Curate at All Saints' Church, Gosforth in the city of Newcastle upon Tyne and was ordained priest at Petertide this year. Prior to his ordination he spent many years as a Church Army Pioneer Minister leading a Centre of Mission in North Tyneside. Revd Dixon's passion is mission and he is Chair the Diocesan Evangelism Task Group. He enjoys engaging with those who have no church connections and those on the fringes of church. He has a broad experience of different church traditions and fresh expressions of church. Revd Dixon is married to Clare and has two teenage children, and to relax he enjoys cycling and volunteering at the local Aircraft Museum.

The Revd Beth Rookwood lives and serves in the parish of Morpeth as an Ordained Pioneer Minister. Revd Rookwood spends a lot of time in the community having conversations with people about God and encouraging churches as they develop the ways of sharing God's love. Revd Rookwood's background is in youth ministry, and she is particularly keen to work with unchurched young people & young adults. To relax Revd Rookwood loves being outside, seeing friends & eating roast dinners.



Ministry Message cont.

Ms Izzy McDonald-Booth lives in the suburbs of Newcastle and worships at St George's Church, Jesmond along with doing trustee and volunteer work in the neighbouring parish of Byker. Ms McDonald-Booth is part of the Evangelism Task Group for the diocese which involves helping parishes engage with growth. Her day job involves managing the retail offers, buying products and art works to sell at the National Glass Centre, a visitor attraction and part of the University of Sunderland, whilst also helping in the University Chaplaincy.

Mr Stephen Ramshaw is a Pioneer Evangelist with Church Army, based at Willington Quay in the Diocese of Newcastle. Mr Ramshaw's background in the construction industry has given him a passion to reach out to ordinary, everyday people especially those living in some of the most deprived communities in the country. He has just completed his first year in his post at St Paul's Church, Willington Quay after four years of training with Church Army. Mr Ramshaw is married to Lynn and has five children and seven grandchildren.

In addition to the events organised by our church, the team from the Diocese of Newcastle will be working across our Deanery in the following ways:

- On **Thursday 8th September** there will be a Mass at Christ Church, Carnforth for Deanery clergy, Deanery synod members, PCC members and Vision Champions.
- On **Friday 9th September** the team will be visiting various primary schools to lead assemblies and host question and answer sessions
- On **Saturday 10th September** the team will be at a Community Coffee Morning in Silverdale, a graveyard tidy at Yelland Church, a heritage day at St Wilfred's Church, Warton and an Alpha Reunion supper in the East Lonsdale Benefice.
- On **Sunday 11th September** the team will be helping at worship services throughout the deanery.

All are warmly welcome to the Crossroads Commissioning Service in Blackburn Cathedral on **Thursday 8th September at 2pm**. The Crossroads Weekend will finish with a Celebration at Preston Flag Market on **Sunday 11th September at 4pm**. All are invited to join with **Archbishop John Sentamu** and people from across Lancashire for a celebration of the Christian Faith. There will be music, drama and an inspiring message of hope from the Archbishop.

I'm going; it's going to be good; are you coming?

Karen

Deanery Crossroads Co-ordinator and Vision Champion



Crossroads Weekend

Monday 5th September	Evening	Prayer Hour
Friday 9th September	Morning	Morning Prayer
	Lunch	Mothers' Union Lunch
	Evening	Beach BBQ
Saturday 10th September	Morning	Men's Breakfast
	Afternoon	Deanery Prayer Walk
Sunday 11th September	Morning	Eucharist

For more information please visit

www.bolton-le-sands.org.uk/crossroads

I'm going; it's going to be good; are you coming?



Your Church needs YOU

Could you donate an hour of your week to church?
Or arrive 30 minutes earlier on a Sunday?

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to be cooked on the BBQ.

Children under 14 must be
accompanied by adults.

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bring consent forms.

I'm going; it's going to be good; are you coming?

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BOLTON-LE-SANDS
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SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

2.30pm Crook O'Lune Car park

Bring stout shoes, children and dogs.

I'm going; it's going to be good; are you coming?

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BOLTON-LE-SANDS
MEN'S BREAKFAST

BACON BUNS-COFFEE-FELLOWSHIP

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SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

8.30am hosted by Mialtalia
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Tickets **£5.50**
available from the back of church.

An Italian inspired breakfast with a thought for the day offered
by The Right Rev'd Frank White, Assistant Bishop of Newcastle.

I'm going; it's going to be good; are you coming?



Crossroads Commissioning Service
Blackburn Cathedral, Blackburn, BB1 5AA
Thursday 8th September at 2pm

Everyone is welcome! Join with Archbishop Sentamu, Bishops from across the North of England, visiting mission teams and people from across Lancashire for the launch of the Crossroads Mission in Blackburn Diocese.

We will come together for an act of worship, during which we will hear words of encouragement from Archbishop Sentamu and be commissioned for mission.

Crossroads Celebration
Preston Flag Market, Preston, PR1 2PP
Sunday 11th September at 4pm

Everyone is welcome! Join with Archbishop John Sentamu, The Archbishop of York, and people from across Lancashire for a celebration of the Christian faith.

Featuring music, drama, stories of changed lives and an inspiring message of hope from the Archbishop.

Come along and bring family, friends, neighbours and colleagues for an afternoon of fun and celebration!



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Holy Trinity Church Raise the Roof Open the Door Round Two Application

The three tenders have been evaluated and a preferred contractor identified. The second round application has been made to the Heritage Lottery Fund. The assessment of applications can take up to three months; we're keeping our fingers crossed for a favourable result.

Since the last issue of The Messenger we have:

- Recommended a contractor and a total project cost of £330,323.
- Been advised by the contractor that the work would take 6 months to complete the work
- Received confirmation that there are no bats roosting in the roof space, therefore we do not have to apply for a bat licence.
- Received confirmation from the Blackburn Diocesan Advisory Board that the faculty was passed by the Chancellor
- The contractor has advised us that the whole of the North Aisle will be scaffolded during the repair, with minor scaffolding required in the Nave area.

Next Steps

We await the deliberations of the Heritage Lottery Fund and if successful we will award the contract.

The team with delegated responsibility for the Project consists of **Karen Hillis, John Lane, Rob Daunt, Jim Mackison** and **Brian James**. Please do not hesitate to contact any member of the team for further information.

the link

The Link appears in church every Sunday, and contains information about services, and parish notices. Items for inclusion in The Link can be sent to holytrinitylink@gmail.com by the preceding Thursday evening.



News from the bookstacks in Bolton-le-Sands Library

The summer holidays have been a busy time with staff promoting the Lancashire Reading Journey – a chance for children and families to enjoy all types of books, stories, and reading, and get a chance to visit local places. This adventure carries on until Saturday 24th September, so there's still plenty of time to pop into your local library to find out more and get started, or complete the final few challenges. The library walls are getting covered with children's artistic creations as they write reviews and draw pictures of their favourite book characters – pop in to see what they have been up to.

With visits from mini-beasts for an animal-handling session, and wizards creating amazing spells, the library has been wonderfully busy place this summer. Thousands of Lego bricks arrived on one day for all the builders of Bolton-le-Sands to let their imagination run wild and build some amazing creations.

For September the library is looking forward to Global Link bringing their digital stories of local traveller families to the library, and on **Friday 30 September** (10.30 – 12.30), there will be a Coffee morning with NHS staff here to help people find out about practical tips to prevent falls and look at how making even small changes can help general health and wellbeing. All welcome.

Regular activities include: baby, bounce and rhyme at 9.15am on Monday mornings, toddler rhyme time on Monday's at 2.30pm, scrabble on Friday's at 10.30, 'craftafternoons' on alternate Fridays, family history, computer help, and a monthly reading group. Everyone is welcome. As always, if you would like any further information then pop in to the library – further contact details are below.

Glenys Knowles Branch Manager – Bolton-le-Sands Library
0300 123 6703 or www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries for further information.

Christenings, weddings and funerals at Holy Trinity

To book a Christening, please come along after the Sunday morning service at Holy Trinity between 11.45 and 12.15 and see one of our Christening Ministry Team, who will be able to assist you. Email the Christening Enquiry line - holytrinitychristenings@gmail.com

All enquiries about Weddings and Funerals should be made to Revd Nancy Goodrich (01524 823106) in the first instance.

Further details are available on our website : www.bolton-le-sands.org.uk

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Blackburn Diocese Youth Mission to South Africa

On **Friday 29th July**, I flew out to Bloemfontein, South Africa with the Diocese of Blackburn Youth Mission Team to do two weeks of mission work in Bloemfontein. The trip was aimed at celebrating 50 years of the Diocese of Blackburn being linked with the Diocese of Bloemfontein, whilst making a positive impact in the community, especially in the townships of Bloemfontein.

The first week was mainly made up of project work, where the team was split up into four small groups. Each group did different project work each day. For me personally, I started off on the first day going to Sunflower House, which is a children's hospice aimed at helping children who have HIV and other illnesses/injuries. On the second day, I was working at Tower of Hope, which is a church specifically set up to help the homeless community in Bloemfontein. The work included sorting clothes into piles to give out and running a soup kitchen. This was followed by a prayer walk in the evening, where we walked through the streets of Bloemfontein talking about and praying for different parts of Bloemfontein and for activities which go on in the city. For the last two days of project work, I was working with a charity called Mosamaria to help a family of five improve their living conditions. This included building an extension onto their shack and clearing the land around them to dig vegetable gardens to allow them to grow their own food.

For the second week we went into schools and churches running games and activities. We also ran spirituality sessions at some of the schools, focusing on the theme of how we can all worship in different ways and styles but still worship the same God. Throughout the two weeks we met with several youth groups and organisations in the evening. With the youth groups we built friendships and links by sharing pizza and braai whilst playing games and taking selfies.

Overall the two weeks was a fantastic experience which was spent with an amazing group of people. I would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who supported me with my trip to South Africa and look forward to talking about the trip in church.

Jason Hillis

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Holy Trinity Social Group



During September, The Social Group will be helping to arrange the events during the **CROSSROADS MISSION WEEKEND (Sept 9th - 11th)**, and will be organising a Community Coffee Morning at the Community Centre on **Thursday 22nd September** from 9.45-11.15am.

Future plans include :

October Fest: Celebrating Harvest Festival with a Jacob's Join meal & entertainment in October.

Christmas Fair, 26th November: - This year's theme is 'A Traditional Lancashire Christmas Fair'.

Lancashire Day: Lancashire Day recalls the occasion on **November 27** 1295 when elected representatives from Lancashire were called to Westminster by King Edward I to attend what later became known as "The Model Parliament." True Lancastrians are asked to raise their glasses and drink the Loyal Toast to "The Queen, Duke of Lancaster".

- Stalls with a Lancashire theme.
- Morris Dancers
- Town Crier to open the event
- Kids presents traditional toys
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13th December: Concert with Levens Choir

Further details will appear in future editions of The Messenger, via our website www.bolton-le-sands.org.uk and through the Holy Trinity newsletter which is available via email. If you wish to receive the newsletter by email, please ask **Andy Williams** or any of the staff on duty at Holy Trinity for details.

Floral & Horticultural Society

The Bolton-le-Sands Horticultural Society held its 88th Annual Summer Show on **August 13th** at the Community Centre. The show was opened by **Bill Blackledge MBE**, horticultural expert, college tutor and radio broadcaster. In judging the exhibits, Mr Blackledge said that he was amazed at the number and quality of exhibits. This year, the number of exhibits was even greater than last year. Despite a poor start, it had been a good season for growing fruit and vegetables.

Mr Blackledge was presented with a bouquet of flowers by Jessica Crabtree, aged 6, who was also the winner of the Miss D Orr Challenge Cup for most points in Children's Classes (aged 2-6). The Mrs J Withington Challenge Cup for most points in Children's Classes (aged 7-11) was won by Amelia Mawtus, aged 8, who also assisted in the running of the auction at the end of the show. The auction was conducted by **Mike Craddock**, Vice Chairman of the Parish Council, and raised about **£90**, half of which will go to this year's designated charity, The Lancaster Canal Trust. Show Secretary **Louise Belcher** thanked Mike for his help, and also thanked the many unsung members of the Society's committee for their hard work in bringing the show together.

Thanks also went to the ladies of the WI who staffed the kitchen, and served tea and cakes throughout the afternoon.



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Buttons & Bows



Although our group officially has not had a work session during the summer months, our ladies have continued to produce children's garments. We have been able to send items out to Malawi and collect gifts for shoe boxes, plus giving comfort blankets and baby hats to local hospitals. If you would like to use your skills in making clothes for babies and needy children you would be made welcome at our first work session on the **6th September**. We meet on the first Tuesday in every month at 1.30 - 3.30. Venue; Mawson Room, Memorial Hall, Slyne-with-Hest. The group have ladies who enjoy being creative at home. So whether you wish to sew, knit or crochet at home or with the group you are welcome to join us.

The charities we support are :

Project Linus UK www.projectlinusuk.org.uk

making comfort blankets, patchwork quilts. (Tightly worked) knitted and crochet blankets, Premature baby hats, we have the pattern.

Samaritans Purse Christmas Child Shoes boxes www.samaritans-purse.org.uk

Things that children would love to receive as a Christmas gift are welcome. For example knitted hats, gloves and scarves. Crayons and colouring books. Please no sweets or chocolate.

Formo Preston www.fomo.co.uk

Dresses and shorts (Cotton) Knitted jumpers and cardigans and hats in bright colours please. T Shirts and toiletries soap, flannel, tooth paste and brush. School stuff. Everything goes to Malawi. Please look on the web to get ideas.

A new charity we are seeking to support is **Hamlin Fistula Hospital Ethiopia**.

Check out the work. www.hamlinfistulauk.org

If you would like to knit some baby clothes and shawls for this charity, then here are some guidelines to help you.

The requirements are: Sizes 18" to 22" chest

Matinee coats, button-up or v neck cardigans/jumpers with long sleeves are ideal as many babies do not like round-neck jumpers pulled over their heads.

Hats are also useful. Please remember that babies' heads are rather large. Bootees and mittens are not necessary.

Shawls size 36"- square can be knitted or crocheted.

Please use dark coloured acrylic yarn for everything – Ethiopian mothers love bright colours, even for their babies. Knitting needles size mm UK No 8

Anyone who knits or crochets for Buttons and Bows but lives away can post their gifts directly if you wish, stating that you have made them on behalf of Buttons and Bows.

Post to: Hamlin Fistula UK, 4 Parade Buildings, Nimmings Road, Halesowen, West Midlands B62 9JJ.

To keep everything running smoothly, please put all items into a plastic bag with a clear label stating which charity your gift has been given too. That way there will be no errors. We thank everyone for their ongoing support and generosity.

WANTED Any fine cotton fabric also knitting yarn, acrylic, double knitting in any amounts. This would allow more ladies to participate.

If you would like to know more about our work please contact: **Susan Rae 01524 823928**

Quiet Day at Hyning Hall



Some of you may wonder what we get up to on a Quiet Day at Hyning three times a year. Firstly, it isn't quiet all day. We congregate for coffee from **9.30am** and then have our first talk, given by **Sister Michaela**. There is space for private reflection before attending midday office in the chapel with the sisters. Following a delicious lunch and fellowship together we have our second talk by **Sister Michaela**, and we end the day with tea and homemade cake.

There is always time during the day to find a quiet corner in the beautiful grounds or in the house, as well as the opportunity to purchase cards or books from the small shop.

In June this year nineteen of us attended, when **Sister Michela** spoke inspiringly on prayer. Our next visit will be on **20th October** so why not think of joining us?

Details will appear in the next edition of Messenger.

Sue Young

Confirmation

The confirmation service this year will be at **Holy Trinity** on **Sunday 16th October**. There will be a series of 6 preparation sessions on Wednesdays from 5pm at Holy Trinity. Young people from Year 6 age onwards who are interested in being confirmed this year should contact **Revd Nancy** before the first session on **Wednesday 14th September**. Adults who are interested in being confirmed should also contact Revd Nancy as soon as possible.

Children's Society

Please hand in your boxes for emptying now. Many thanks to those who have already done so - the Society very much appreciates the support you give in this way. If you have any problems regarding your boxes, please contact me and I will gladly help.

Margaret Hutchinson (824110)

Concert News

On Tuesday 13th December at 7.30pm, LEVENS CHOIR will be returning to Holy Trinity to perform 'MAGNIFICAT' - seasonal music for December. Full details in the October edition of THE MESSENGER.

Margaret Hutchinson (824110)



Mothers' Union Update

Mary Sumner Day was celebrated at Blackburn Cathedral on **August 9th** with each branch invited to process with their banner. I am delighted to say that our Deanery, although small, had each of the four branches represented in the parade. I went with the branch leaders from Silverdale and Slyne with Hest and **Susan Room** from our branch. We arrived early as we had to rehearse with the banners so we were in time to visit the lovely new Northcote restaurant at the cathedral, where Susan very kindly treated us all to tea and scones. The service began with the Mary Sumner hymn and we set off to parade the banners. It was quite spectacular to see all the different banners and apparently the Mothers' union choir in the choir stalls had a magnificent view.

Archdeacon Michael Everitt led the service and during his address spoke of his involvement with Mothers' Union from a very early age through his mother who was a member before he was born. He also pointed out that there are few organisations in the Diocese who could pack the Cathedral on a Tuesday evening in August as we did!

The choir sang John Rutter's anthem "For the beauty of the earth" which was very moving and as we made our way back to the car we all felt that we had experienced something really special as so many of us gathered to celebrate Mary Sumner Day.

Another successful luncheon at Morecambe Golf Club was enjoyed by about fifty people. As ever the sun came out and the food and service were excellent. Thanks to those who organised it and helped members without cars to get there.

The **Crossroads Mission** is getting nearer and there will be lots more information elsewhere in the magazine. Mothers' Union will be providing a lunch at the back of church for **Bishop Frank** and his team who will be visiting the Tunstall Deanery. Many thanks to those who have already offered food and donations and there are lists up at the back of church for any members who have not yet signed up. It would be helpful if you could also indicate if you will be at the lunch to help with catering arrangements. Unfortunately, the lunch is for MU members and the Mission Team only. Please remember to wear your badges!

Please note that we will no longer be using the Old Boys Grammar School for our Coffee Mornings. There is an issue with accessibility so in future we will hold our **Coffee Mornings** at the back of church or the Village Hall. Our next one is on **October 5th** & will be held after the 10am Eucharist.

Our committee structure may be changing slightly in the future with maybe fewer members but a separate group who will occasionally lend a hand with giving out magazines and so forth. Please check the Mothers' Union board at the back of church.

Our next meeting will be Opening Service at Holy Trinity at 2.00pm on **Wednesday September 21st**, and our speaker will be **Christine Maidment**.

Kath Lane Branch Leader



St. Mark's Nether Kellet

Notes from St Marks

During July, whilst **Rev. Nancy** was away, we were pleased to welcome **Pat Allen** back to lead our services. On one occasion she was joined by **Jo Fitzgerald**, who has just completed the Occasional Preachers Course. Congratulations, Jo, and we hope that you will join us again soon. Thanks you to them both, and also to **Alan Hutchins** from Over Kellet, who also led some of our services.

It seems a long time since we advertised our village Field Day in June, but I can now report that we were lucky with the weather, had a very successful afternoon, and raised over **£2000**. Thank you to everyone who attended, and I'm sure an enjoyable time was had by all.

At this time, many young people in the parish will be facing big changes in their lives. Many, like Toby, a faithful member at St Mark's, will be taking the next big step in their school lives, while others will be moving further afield to university or further education. We wish them all the very best and will keep them in our prayers, asking God to guide them and keep them safe on their chosen path.

Dates for the diary

September 21st/22nd

WI Craft and Produce Show at Garstang Golf Club from 10.00am £5

Saturday September 24th

Peg Night - BBQ and Bar in the Village Hall at 3.00pm £5

Sunday September 25th

Bacon Butty Brunch 11.00am in the Village Hall

The summer months are almost over and soon we will be into the season of autumn with thoughts of our Harvest Festival, the date of which will be in next month's edition.

Jean Crabtree



**UNITED REFORMED
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Marjorie Turner celebrated her 100th birthday with family and friends at an Afternoon Tea Party at Bolton-le-Sands United Reformed Church Hall on **3rd July**.

She was born in Carnforth to Edwin and May Penswick, but her father was killed in France in the First World War in April 1917.

Marjorie attended the Church School at Carnforth and Lancaster Girls' Grammar School. Her mother May was a talented pianist who at one time had a small dance band, so Marjorie grew up with a love of Dancing and singing.

She lived in Bolton-le-Sands for several years as a girl with her mother and stepfather Norman, and during this time made many friends in the Girl Guides. Later they lived in Morecambe where Marjorie loved to dance, especially at 'The Tower', and she was a keen member of Morecambe Warblers and Archie Collis' Wartime Concert Party. A number of pictures taken throughout Marjorie's life, including one of her with Morecambe Warblers and of her other musical days, were on display at the party.

Marjorie worked for the railways, mainly at the District Engineer's Office on Castle Park, Lancaster and this was where she met Ted Turner, a widower with a daughter Margaret. They were married in 1948 and had two sons, Brian and Michael. Ted died in 1979.

On returning to Bolton-le-Sands in 1954 Marjorie continued her love of entertainment by producing and performing concerts and pantomimes for the Congregational Church and the Women's Institute. She was also secretary of the URC Women's Guild for many years.

Marjorie was also a member of the WRVS which included helping at the village Baby Clinic and delivering Meals on Wheels.

Marjorie remains cheerful and has a smile for everyone, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Four great granddaughters provided some entertainment at the party and the WI also performed. The great granddaughters finished by performing 'Bring me Sunshine'. By all the happy faces at the party, both family and friends, Marjorie has brought a lot of sunshine.



Afternoon Tea, 16 July

On a lovely sunny afternoon we welcomed a party of forty-seven asylum seekers plus helpers from Manchester. Liz Kam, Yolande and John Burns' daughter, is a Church Related Community Worker and she arranged for the group to visit the area for the day. They had travelled to Silverdale where there were activities and a barbecue lunch hosted by our friends from Hest Bank U.R.C. At 4.30 pm the coach arrived and we greeted the visitors to share in an afternoon tea of scones and cakes with fruit juice, tea or coffee. The party, which comprised of all ages, were very friendly and appreciated the hospitality they had received. Thanks go to those who helped with preparing the hall for this occasion and Margaret Carter and friends for organising the food.



Coach trip to Blackpool

A joint church (Bolton-le-Sands, Hest Bank and Halton URCs) family coach trip to Blackpool has been arranged for **Saturday 10 September**. Cost **£10**, leaving at 9.30am on the road outside the URC, and returning around 6.30pm. Anyone interested in going, please contact **Margaret Carter** on **01524 823013**.

Dates for the Diary

1st Sept	12noon Agape Lunch
5th Sept	1pm - Knitting & Banner Group
9th Sept	9.30am - Shining Stars
16th Sept	9.30am - Shining Stars
18th Sept	10am - Harvest Festival Service
19th Sept	TBA - Harvest Supper
21st Sept	7pm - Elders meeting
23rd Sept	9.30am - Shining Stars
6th Oct	12noon Agape Lunch

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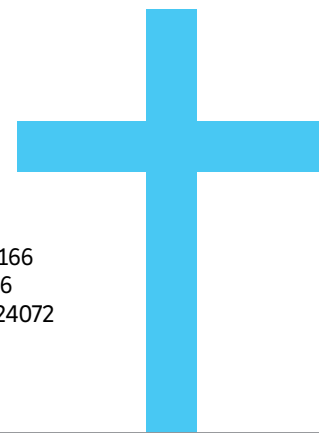
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Parish Discussion Groups

We will continue to meet each month on a Sunday evening to work through the "Evangelium" booklet which examines the meaning of many aspects of our faith. As we near the end of the holiday season the dates of meetings still have to be announced. The discussion will, as always, be led by **Fr John** and **Paul Bates** and will be presented through the use of a DVD with many illustrations of early classical artists to guide us. It will surely be an interesting hour.

Catholic Women's Guild

The Bolton-le-Sands branch of the CWL had the annual outing on **Tuesday 5th July**. Members visited Swarthmore Hall, near Ulverston, which is where the Quaker (Friends) movement started in the 17th century. On entering the house, you find yourself virtually stepping back to the 17th century. The furniture is all from that period. Much of it is original, and visitors are allowed to sit in the long wooden chairs in the main room. It is possible to have a guide, but you can be issued with a very small but efficient recording machine with earphones, which is easy to use. It tells the history of the Hall, its owners and the establishment of the Quaker movement as you go from room to room. There is a small garden with a seating area, and a very pleasant cafe where refreshments may be bought and enjoyed - and we did! The weather was kind, and a very enjoyable day was had by all. The next CWL meeting is a Games Evening in the church hall on **Tuesday September 6th**.

The next 'Lectio Divina' will be held in the Hall at St Mary's Yealand on **Tuesday 6th September** at 2.00pm.

The bumper CAFOD Autumn Fair will be held in the Catholic Hall, Kellet Road, Carnforth, on **Saturday 1st October**, and we are appealing for costume jewellery, prizes etc - please phone **Pat Fuller** (745722) if you have anything that we can sell. We have just received a letter from CAFOD Office to thank us for the **£5000** sent in July. This money is to help support the **Ana Manganaro Clinic in Guarjila**, El Savadore. This clinic serves 16,500 people across eight communities, and does sterling work.

And to Finish:

Job interview

Interviewer: "What would you consider to be your greatest weakness?"
 Applicant: "I'm too honest."
 Interviewer: "Honest! I don't see that as a weakness."
 Applicant: "I don't give a monkey's what you think."

The class was having a drawing lesson and the teacher asked a little girl what she was drawing.
 The girl replied "I'm drawing God."
 The teacher said "But no one knows what God looks like."
 The girl replied, "They will at the end of this lesson!"

Teacher told her class about whales and explained that they are absolutely enormous but they only eat small fish and other minute sea animals.
 A little boy interrupted "the class had been told that Jonah was swallowed by a whale."
 Teacher, irritated, said "it was not really true."
 Little boy said "when I get to heaven he will ask Jonah."
 Teacher said "Jonah might have gone to hell."
 Little boy said "Well you ask him then."

Eddie Hignett and Pat Fuller



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The Social Group

Wednesday Social Group Excursions

Please allow me to tell you about the Social Group. We are a successful not for profit group run by volunteers whose only reward is the reimbursement of expenses incurred in the operation of the Group. We are almost entirely senior citizens but it is not compulsory; we welcome every one with shared aims. We are about 90% women, mostly widows and 10% men. Our aim is to offer enjoyable friendly day excursions at the lowest possible cost. We occasionally have a few seats to fill hence this advert.

Our Programme of friendly, affordable day trips by touring coach in September is as follow :

14th	September	Guided tour of Ripon Cathedral (08.30 start from Heysham)
28th	September	Ashton under Lyne
12th	October	Barnard Castle, option to visit the renowned Bowes Museum

Coach fare £10 or less (depends on coach numbers) plus cost of entry to attractions
Contact **Adrian** on **824652** for information about the Group, our remaining Autumn Programme 2016 Programme or book.

Your local pickup points are as follows - (approximate times) :

Bus stop junction of A6 with Manor Road, Slyne at about 09.35am

Adjacent to Ricky's Chinese, Bolton le Sands at about 09.40am

Bus stop opposite Royal Hotel, Bolton Le Sands at about 09.45am

Bus stop opposite Burch Tree Vets, Carnforth at about 09.50am

NB - On occasions we have an earlier start - eg Ripon when all times are 30 minutes earlier

Wednesday Walking Group

The Social Group also organises walks for people who may want to lose weight, get fit, enjoy fresh air scenery & wildlife, meet new people and make new friends. The coach fare is £10 for each trip.

You will be offered the choice of 3 guided walks.

- **C Easy Walk** - about 4 miles generally flat;
- **B Moderate Walk** - about 6 miles maybe undulating or
- **A Harder Walk** - about 8 miles possibly with some steep ascents.

All walks last about 4 hours and are followed by a half hour pub/cafe refreshment stop. Waterproofs and boots are essential plus a flask and picnic.

All walks for September are fully booked. Details of October's programme will appear in the next edition of The Messenger. For further information phone **Jim** on **851487**.

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Bolton-le-Sands WI

The Bolton-le- Sands WI meeting for July was at BLS Village Hall at 7.15pm **Tuesday 12th July 2016**. Hazel Short (President) welcomed 73 members and gave thanks to ladies who were helping on the evening. She reported on a recent outing to Blackburn Cathedral & Oswaldtwistle Mill and a Health Festival held at Carnforth. Both were successful and enjoyable and organisers and helpers were thanked personally. As next month is a Social Event, the twenty three July and August birthdays were each acknowledged.

Jean Dennis (Secretary) read out information from LFWI about a forthcoming Lancashire Course at Denman College in March 2017 and a day trip to Liverpool in September 2016. Further details were put up on the screen for members to view. The various leaders of the Interest and Activity Groups reported on their events and again each was accompanied by illustrations and text on the screen.

Next came the speaker, **Matthew Brown**, who is the House Steward at Sizergh. His illustrated talk was called 'Behind the Scenes at Sizergh'. Over the last five years he had worked his way up from the bottom and now has responsibility for staff and 160 volunteers. Jokingly he described himself as a 'Dog's Body'. Sizergh is National Trust but also with the Strickland family in residence.

The Conservation Performance Indicators have moved upwards since 2014 and there are new Partnerships with Lancaster University and UCLAN with the bonus of involving students in various projects. Conservation in Action for children is hands on and now takes place in front of visitors. Sizergh had 75,000 visitors to the House and 100,000 to the outbuildings, grounds and gardens. It is open to the public 8 months of the year with the remaining four months dedicated to predominantly maintenance. 'Deep clean time', as Matthew described it. It was absolutely fascinating watching and hearing how they dealt with so many massive challenges. As well as general high level dirt there was issues of damp, mould, floods and infestations to address. One which particularly stood out was the challenge of mould and damp on the enormous wall mounted tapestries.

Another task was organising a Salvage Day where all the Sizergh Team rehearsed roles and procedures in case of a serious fire or major incident. In respect of everything, their innovation and dedication as a team to deal with so many massive issues was just remarkable. Forward planning and upcoming projects would involve improved lighting as a priority and fresh flowers from the gardens instead of sad rather faded artificial arrangements. A truly eye opening and interesting presentation. The vote of thanks was given by **Kath Ion**.

In members' time Hazel welcomed **Julie Caton** from Bare WI who had travelled to Brighton as our delegate at the WI Annual General Meeting. The date coincided with the Queens 90th Birthday. The two resolutions were debated and passed. In the morning the speaker was **Baroness D'Souza**, Speaker of the House of Lords, and in the afternoon **Rona Fairhead**, Chairman of the BBC Trust. To finish was a 'mini' Prom. It consisted of a professional singer and brass ensemble. With audience participation and flag waving it was an appropriate way to end the day. Judith's account was very informative with several really good touches of humour.

The July competition was for 'A Coat of Arms' which was judged by **Matthew Brown** and won by **Sheila Hunt**. The evening closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

The Bolton-le-Sands WI Social Event was held at the BLS Village Hall at 7.15pm on **Tuesday 9th August 2016**. The Village Hall was set out with stage and walkway aligned with softening potted plants. As members gathered on a lovely summer evening, they were welcomed with a large glass of Pimm's laced with strawberries, mint and cucumber or a cup of tea with a homemade shortbread. What a nice start to the WI Fashion Show Social Event!

Hazel Short (President) welcomed members and their guests. After a few official WI notices the fashion show began. Hazel introduced **Caroline Charnley** from Kitty Brown Boutique in Carnforth. Caroline began with an interactive challenge by handing out numerous scarves amongst the audience. We had a demonstration in how to arrange an ordinary scarf in various ways to make it look different and special. Doing it seemed easy at the time. It was such good fun and a nice way to start.

The fashion show began. The models for the evening were **Joyce Bond, Joan Buckley, Brenda Wood** and **Angela Buck**, who are all BLS WI members. They wore lovely varied outfits for all occasions. As well as the clothes each outfit was enhanced with matching jewellery, watches, handbags and scarves. All the models did us proud and walked the catwalk like true professionals.

After the show there was time to mingle and chat with an opportunity to look at the various stalls and rails. A memorable and enjoyable evening.

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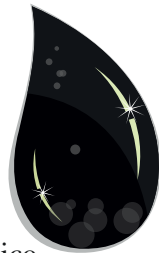
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Readings for September

1st	1 Corinthians 3, 18-end; Luke 5, 1-11
2nd	1 Corinthians 4, 1-5; Luke 5, 33-end
3rd	1 Corinthians 4, 6-15; Luke 6, 1-5
4th	Philemon 1-21; Luke 14, 25-33
5th	1 Corinthians 5, 1-8; Luke 6, 6-11
6th	1 Corinthians 6, 1-11; Luke 6, 12-19
7th	1 Corinthians 7, 25-31; Luke 6, 20-26
8th	1 Corinthians 8, 1-7, 11-end; Luke 6, 27-38
9th	1 Corinthians 9 16-19, 22-end; Luke 6, 39-42
10th	1 Corinthians 10, 14-22; Luke 6, 43-end
11th	1 Timothy 1, 12-17; Luke 15, 1-10
12th	1 Corinthians 11, 17-26, 33; Luke 7, 1-10
13th	1 Corinthians 12, 12-14, 27-end; Luke 7, 11-17
14th	Philippians 2, 6-11; John 3, 13-17
15th	1 Corinthians 15, 1-11; Luke 7, 36-end
16th	1 Corinthians 15, 12-20; Luke 8, 1-3
17th	1 Corinthians 15, 35-37, 42-49; Luke 8, 4-15
18th	1 Timothy 2, 1-7; Luke 16, 1-13
19th	Proverbs 3, 27-34; Luke 8, 16-18
20th	Proverbs 21,1-6, 10-13; Luke 8 19-21
21st	Proverbs 3, 13-18, Matthew 9, 9-13
22nd	Ecclesiastes 1, 2-11; Luke 9, 7-9
23rd	Ecclesiastes 3,1-11; Luke 9, 18-22
24th	Ecclesiastes 11, 9 - 12, 8; Luke 9, 43b-45
25th	1 Timothy 6, 6-19; Luke 16, 19-end
26th	Job 1, 6-end; Luke 16, 19-end
27th	Job 3, 1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Luke 9, 51-56
28th	Job 9, 1-12, 14-16; Luke 9, 57-end
29th	Genesis 28, 10-17; John 1, 47-end
30th	Job 38, 1, 12-21 and 40, 3-5; Luke 10, 13-16
8th	Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary
14th	Holy Cross Day
21st	Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
29th	Michael and All Angels

Parish Registers

Baptisms

During July & August, we welcomed

Parker Ellis Ashby, Sawyer Betty Spencer, Thais Theone Wright, Oliver Ray Lowe and Max Michael David Lowe into the church with our love and prayers.

Weddings

We congratulate and pray for **Simon Blackburn & Lucy Cornthwaite;**

Alan Wylie & Janet Power;

Thomas Alston & Leia Harris;

Peter Sparks & Claire Pike who were married in July & August.

September

We remember all those departed this life whose anniversaries occur during September

Rennie Margaret Bates
Moses Edward Bowker (Priest)
Bert Hill
Gwyn Humphreys
William R.D. Parnell
William Cowperthwaite
Elizabeth Bithell
Edith Ryder
Brian Wilson
George Townley
James MacKenzie
Gwendoline Mather
Geoffrey George Platt
Roland Leicester
Colin Penty Wright
Richard Halliwell
Elsie Boardman
Ian Edward Geary
Jack L.M. Helme
Arthur Bell
Elizabeth (Lyla) Whitaker
Paul Henry Tolcher

Funerals

We continue to pray for the relatives and friends of those whose funerals took place recently:

Doris Collison, Roy Thompson & Nessie (Christina) Madeod

Parish Calendar - September



Sunday 4th	8.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity 9.00am Holy Communion at St Mark's (Common Worship) 10.30am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity
Monday 5th	7.30pm Crossroads Mission Prayer Evening at Holy Trinity
Wednesday 7th	10.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity
Thursday 8th	2.00pm Crossroads Commissioning Service at Blackburn Cathedral
Friday 9th CROSSROADS Mission weekend	8.30am Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity MU Lunch at Holy Trinity 6.30pm Beach BBQ - at Red Bank Headland on the shore
Saturday 10th CROSSROADS Mission weekend	8.30am Men's breakfast at Mia Italia 2.30pm Deanery Prayer walk - Crook o' Lune Car Park
Sunday 11th CROSSROADS Mission weekend	8.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity 9.00am Morning Prayer at St Mark's 10.30am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Normal meetings for Junior Church groups 4.00pm Crossroads Celebration - Closing Service - Preston Flag Market
Wednesday 14th	10.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity 5.00pm Confirmation Preparation at Holy Trinity
Thursday 15th	7.30pm Prayer Hour at Holy Trinity
Sunday 18th	8.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity 9.00am Holy Communion at St Mark's (BCP) 10.30am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Normal meetings for Junior Church groups 12.15pm Holy Baptism - Athena Haslem
Wednesday 21st	10.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity 2.00pm Mothers' Union Opening Service at Holy Trinity 5.00pm Confirmation Preparation at Holy Trinity
Thursday 22nd	9.45-11.15am Church Coffee Morning at the Community Centre
Sunday 25th	8.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity 9.00am Morning Prayer at St Mark's 10.30am Morning Praise - Harvest Festival at Holy Trinity 6.00pm Harvest Songs of Praise at St Mark's
Wednesday 28th	10.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity 5.00pm Confirmation Preparation at Holy Trinity
Sunday 2nd Oct	8.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity 9.00am Holy Communion at St Mark's (Common Worship) 10.30am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Normal meetings for Junior Church groups
Wednesday 5th Oct	10.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity - followed by MU Coffee Morning 5.00pm Confirmation Preparation at Holy Trinity
Friday 7th Oct	7.00pm First Friday Worship

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