

PARISH CALENDAR 2018

SEPTEMBER		Event	Sidemen/ women	Altar Flowers	Church Cleaners	
2nd	Trinity XIV	11.00 am	Holy Communion Revd Andy Froud	Mrs B Lewis	Lord & Lady Clitheroe	Mrs A Moyle Mrs D. Wilkins
4th	Tuesday	6.00 pm	Village H Mgt Cttee	Village Hall		
		7.30 pm	Licensing Service	St Paul Low Moor		<i>Licensing new Associate Priest</i>
6th	Thursday	7.30 pm	Garden Club	Village Hall		<i>Wild Orchids—Dr Irene Ridge</i>
9th	Trinity XV	11.00 am	Matins Revd Anne Hardacre	Mr I. Walton	Mrs P. McFall	Hon Mrs R Assheton Mrs C. Naylor
10th	Monday	7.30 pm	PCC	Church		
		7.30 pm	Joyful Noise			<i>Christ Church Chatburn</i>
12th	Wednesday	10.00 am	Holy Communion Revd Andy Froud	Mrs P. McFall		
13th	Thursday	10.00 am	Coffee Club	Village Hall		
14th	Friday	7.30 pm	Soul & Motown disco	Village Hall		<i>Great DJ Hot Supper and Bar</i>
16th	Trinity XVI	11.00 am	Holy Communion Revd Andy Froud	Mr T. McLean		Mrs P McFall Mrs M Roskell
	Sunday	2.00 pm - 4.00 pm	Memories and Memorabilia	Village Hall		<i>Get together to bring memories and things telling the History of the School</i>
20th	Thursday	7.30 pm	WI	Village Hall		<i>Malaysian Silk Batik Demonstration</i>
23rd	Trinity XVII	11.00 am	Matins	Mrs E. Parker	Mrs D. Braithwaite	Mrs S Marlow Mrs E. Parker
24th	Monday	7.30 pm	Joyful Noise			<i>Chatburn Methodist Church</i>
26th	Wednesday	10.00am	Holy Communion Revd Andy Froud	Mr B. Lewis		
28th	Friday	10.00 am to Noon	Coffee Morning	Village Hall		<i>In Aid of McMillan Cancer Care Part of the biggest Coffee morning</i>
30th	Trinity XVIII	11.00 am	Matins Revd Anne Hardacre	Mrs A. Wallace		Lady Clitheroe Mrs A. Wallace
October						
7th	Trinity XIX	11.00 am	Holy Communion Revd Andy Froud	Mrs P. McFall	Lord & Lady Clitheroe	Mrs S. Travis Mrs A Chadwick
14th	Trinity XX Harvest	11.00 am	Harvest Festival Revd Andy Froud	Mrs B. Lewis		Mr & Mrs C. Ennis

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From The Revd Andy Froud

Dear Friends,

Do you know what the Rule of Threes is?

Or do you know the significance of 3 minutes, 3 hours, 3 days and 3 weeks? You can survive for 3 minutes without air (oxygen) or in icy water. You can survive for 3 hours without shelter in a harsh environment (unless in icy water) You can survive for 3 days without water (if sheltered from a harsh environment) You can survive for 3 weeks without food (if you have water and shelter)

How long can we survive without God? Many people would say they do pretty well without believing in God: you can be a good, happy and caring person.

I believe though that God “has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping.” (Psalm 66:9) Without Him to hold our souls in life, we have no life at all. But if we live in Jesus we truly live because he promised us life in all its fullness.

I believe every breath that I take is given to me as a precious gift from God.

This autumn we celebrate the harvest gifts God gives us through His creation, remembering that all things come from him and of his own we give Him: without his love we cannot, as Christian’s live, let alone live the fullness of life which he has called us to in Jesus Christ.

Just as God has generously given to us, so let us pray that we may be generous in sharing His gifts with others,

Yours in Christ

God in heaven, we offer our deepest appreciation for the many blessings you shower upon us every day. We are truly humbled by the bounty of your grace. Through this prayer, we ask for the compassion to follow the inspiring example of the good Samaritan. Help us to embrace and bring comfort to those suffering immensely overseas. Amen.

ST LEONARD FACTS AND FIGURES		
	JULY	2018
COMMUNICANTS	32	280
COLLECTIONS	£	
SERVICES	245	2,517
VISITORS	78	443
DONATIONS	346	6,477
HOUSE BOXES	-	65
SPECIAL	-	4,344
TOTAL	669	13,846

IN OUR PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS:

Helen Addy, Bob Swarbrick, Kath Swarbrick, Anne Chadwick, Jean Whitsey, Kath Brown, Ian Chadwick, and others who are unwell.
The Family of Margaret Jackson

THE PARISH CHURCH IS VERY GRATEFUL TO THOSE BUSINESSES, ORGANISATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS THAT SPONSOR THE NEWSLETTER. IN SEPTEMBER THE NEWSLETTER IS SPONSORED BY DOWNHAM VILLAGE HALL



FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

HOLY BAPTISM

12th August, Elsie Louise daughter of Heather and Benjamin Hartley of Chatburn. A great grandchild of the late Norman and Brenda Lund.

HOLY MATRIMONY

26th August, Thomas Capstick of Burnley and formerly of Downham and **Megan Collins** also of Burnley.

Margaret Jackson of Chatburn died, peacefully, on 16th August. Margaret will be missed by her friends at the Downham Gardening Club where she was a frequent attender. Margaret was always pleased to see everyone greeting us all with a twinkle. Her funeral service was at Christ Church, Chatburn on 29th August.

SPECTATOR

Honestly.....our esteemed editor is such a megalomaniac. All I wanted was the month off as I had writers' block and this is the email he sent me....
As you are well aware, we only allow one person from each dept to be off at the same time. Fortunately, there is no other departments with personnel on holiday at the moment so I can permit on this occasion only. In future, kindly follow the personnel policy on annual leave and give three months notice. You'll be wanting Christmas Day off next.

Honestly, he such a bossy boots and he scoffs at my legions of fans, well 4 now, r Elaine cousin and our Debbie sister from Bradford, Jon's ex mother in law Pat who lives in Cheshire and now Michelle and David who have put a laminated copy of August Spectator on the wall of their ice cream shop. So beware Ed or I could walk and take my fans with me!

Actually r Debbie came to the annual village hall show and went around the hall pretending she was a judge and when she saw Ed, she said he looked he looked a bit gorgeous like an ageing film star. Well, that will have gone straight to his head, he asked me who it was and I introduced him to my sister who said she was from Leeds, I told him she was fibbing and was really from Dick Lane in Bradford. " what village " said Tom, Dick Lane I said, well he pulled a face and was off . Then when debs saw Shaun, she said is that the egg man because he's a lot bigger in real life! Then we worked out that she had only previously seen him coming out of his doorway, bending down with the eggs as not to bang his head on the beams.

She really is daft. Anyway we had a lovely afternoon drinking tea and chatting to friends. It's a shame more people don't go and we nagged Barbara to give us some of her prize winning cinder toffeedelicious.....yum.

MEMORIES AND MEMORABILIA

HISTORY AND MEMORIES OF DOWNHAM SCHOOL

The School Building at Downham has been in use since 1839. In celebration of those 180 years in education the Downham history Group is inviting past pupils and staff and others with knowledge, memories and articles or documents

to come along to an information drop in to be held on Sunday afternoon 16th September at Downham Village Hall between 2 and 4.00 pm for cake and tea



The purpose is to gather information for a larger public exhibition and scrapbook event in 2019.

You are invited to come along and share your memories. We propose to scan precious documents so that originals may be immediately returned to owners.



SOUL and MOWTOWN



**Friday September 14th
7.30 pm**

**Downham Village Hall
TICKETS £12**

**including hot supper
DJ Keith Harris
(Warner Hotels)**

**Bar Available
TO BOOK**

RING SUE 01200 440912

OR

BARBARA 01200 440925

PASTORAL SCHEME St MARY MAGDALENE CLITHEROE St PAUL LOW MOOR CLITHEROE, CHRIST CHURCH CHATBURN & St LEONARD DOWNHAM

THE REVD Catherine Hale-Heighway has been appointed to the joint benefice as the Associate Priest working primarily with St Paul Low Moor and Christ Church Chatburn. She will be taking up her duties in September and being Licensed at a special service at Low Moor at 7.30 pm on Tuesday, 4th September. (To officiate in a parish requires a licence from the appropriate bishop, whether as an incumbent or, for example, to preach, conduct weddings or funerals). We are all invited to attend and to support Catherine at the start of her ministry at Clitheroe. Please let a PCC member know if you would like to attend and share transport.



Pudding Festival—11th August

As part of the Clitheroe Food Festival the Whalley Deanery Fundraising Committee for the Children's Society ran a Pudding Festival at the St Mary's Parish Hall raising over £600 for the society's work. The Committee is grateful to all those who helped in any way at the Hall and with advance publicity and, of course, those who cooked and donated really great puddings cakes and other sweets. Downham is a good supporter of the Children's Society. **BL**

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD [SAMARITANS PURSE] SHOE BOX 2018

ONCE again it is time to start to look out for small gifts to fill a shoe box with a selection of toys, school supplies, soap, toothpaste & other hygiene items, sweets hat, gloves etc. There are leaflets at the back of church or you can get more information on www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/occ

Please bring your filled shoebox back to church so that Anne or Derek can pick it up by Sunday 18th November at the very latest. If you need us to pick shoe boxes up or you need more information ring **01200 429341**



THE PARISH CHURCH



OUR installation, *There but not There*, honouring the seven men of Downham and Twiston who died in the Great War 1914-18 was completed exactly one hundred days before the anniversary of the Armistice on 11th November and will remain open until Remembrance Day. The exhibit comprises seven Perspex cut-out men spread around the church in the pews that they left unoccupied one hundred years ago. At each pew there is a brief description of the fallen man and, at the back of Church, a booklet with some additional information. There is a Poppy banner at the gate inviting everyone to come inside and view the installation.

DOWNHAM BANNER

THE BANNER group continues its work in arranging public information and publicity as well as a programme of what the Heritage Lottery fund asks for in terms of education and engagement. This in preparation for the banner's return to Clitheroe next year.

The first annual banner sermon was preached by the Revd Ann Hardacre on 'Sunday 26th August. Ann expanded on the relevance of the message of the Downham Benevolent Society today and of the example from the story of the Good Samaritan. "Go Thou and do Likewise".

GARDEN CLUB

AFTER all the worry thinking that the weather would break and we would have a downpour the morning dawned a bit cloudy but it improved as the day went on. I am of course talking about the the day of the Garden Club Show. The day when the gardeners of Downham and Twiston and the rest of the club members show the best they have to offer, not just flowers, fruit and vegetables but also photography and confectionary.

With entries in all categories but one, the aroma's in the room were just superb and the colours of the flowers and plants brilliant. A wonderful show was enjoyed by everyone especially the winners:

- Flowers....Bernard and Carolyn Gethins
- Vegetables...Frances and Peter Eldridge
- Photography.....Frances and Peter Confectionary.....Frances and Peter
- Most Points.....Frances and Peter
- Best in Show.....Bernard and Carolyn
- Junior Cup.....Joseph Addy

Our congratulations go to all the winners and our many thanks to all the entrants and to the people who worked so hard to put on the show. THANKS TO YOU ALL.

Next month promises to be less hectic. A presentation by Dr Irene Ridge on Wild Orchids On Thursday, 6th at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. CA



COFFEE CLUB,

THIS month we have 2 coffee mornings. The usual one on the second Thursday, 13th at 10.00 am and a special one on Friday 28th September between 10.00 am and 12 noon in aid of MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT and a part of the world's biggest coffee morning.

This is a very special cause for many people so any offers of help either on the day or cakes etc. and of course any donations will be gratefully received by Carole at 25 Brookside or on 01200 440112.



If you cannot come on the day please will you consider donating £5 by texting JAMGKP2 to 70550 THANK YOU SO MUCH CA

OLIVE AWBERY has written:

I WOULD like to thank all my friends in the Village for the lovely cards and warm wishes which I received after I had my stroke. I have thankfully made a good recovery and feel very grateful to have escaped so lightly. Best wishes to you all. Olive Awbery



WHAT a laugh we had at the August summer outing! On a beautiful evening on the 16th August, a good many of us piled into cars and traipsed up to Kettlewell, the beating heart of the Yorkshire Dales. All were thoroughly entertained by the annual Scarecrow Festival. One could not help being amused by the ingenuity, creativity and outright comedy of these very realistic human scarecrows scattered in a trail around this beautiful village. From hairdressers, pirates, Amy Winehouse, Dr Who, to Kim Jong Un - they were all there. The winning clutch of scarecrows were those in the church commemorating 1918; with nurses surrounding a stretcher across the pews, a bunch of suffragettes and numerous WW1 soldiers with their real-life stories attached. Then followed a fabulous supper of proper chips, massive sandwiches with salad, coleslaw and potato salad all homemade at the Bluebell Inn. Can you spot who's who? The next meeting is on Thursday 20th September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall when we will watch a Malaysian Silk Batik Demonstration with Chandra and Richard Law. New members are always welcome. AW

THE DOWNHAM HISTORY GROUP Downham School

THE History Group is continuing research into the history of Downham School and meets again on Sunday afternoon 16th September at the Memories and Memorabilia event. See page 7.

