Borwick & Priest Hutton

Village Newsletter

Hello all!

Around this time last year the Covid-19 pandemic was just a bit of grit in the world's eye, with rumours coming out of China that a mysterious virus was causing unexplained illness. Twelve months on, we're all mightily fed up with it and all the terrible illness, deaths and hardship it has caused. The good news is that, thanks to the fantastic work of so many scientists, many villagers have now had their first jabs, and the process of being able to move through the pandemic and out the other side has begun. Life is not going to return to normal overnight, but the light at the end of the tunnel is getting closer and brighter all the time.

Unfortunately the restrictions we are living under has prevented all of our usual village activities from going ahead, so 'news' is rather in short supply in this issue! Let's hope that by the time I am preparing the April/May edition, there will be lots more going on.

The deadline for contributions to the next newsletter is midnight on Sunday 28 March 2021.

Caption Competition

Well done to Dorothy Fell who won the prize for the caption competition in the last newsletter



Dorothy received a bottle of wine, kindly donated by Ken Dunn.

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Morecambe Bay Foodbank is continuing to support families and individuals in need. Collection boxes for food donations are available in our villages; at the end of Claire Helme's driveway in Borwick, and at the end of Sal Riding's driveway in Priest Hutton. Both are visible from the respective village greens.

At the moment, the Foodbank is especially in need of:

*Long-life milk

- *Jam/peanut butter/honey
- *Fruit juice
- *Sponge puddings
- *Tinned fruit
- *Tinned fish



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St Mary's Church



A 'Chapel of Ease' in the Parish of Warton, providing a place of worship for the villagers of Borwick and Priest Hutton.

Services and church opening during the COVID-19 restrictions

During the present phase of COVID-19 restrictions the pattern of services in our benefice is as follows:

9.30am Sunday online. A livestream Eucharist broadcast from either St Mary's, Borwick or St John's, Yealand; this service can be viewed on our benefice YouTube channel.

Go to the benefice website at www.ubwby.org, download the Morning Prayer sheet and join the Vicar at 9.15am each morning.

There is also a recorded service of Night **Prayer** for you to share in each evening at a time that suits you. Find the link and download a copy of the Night Prayer service booklet on the benefice website.

Our church buildings are open for individual prayer as follows:

St Oswald's: Sundays 8.30am-10.30am; Weds & Thurs 10.00am-4.00pm.

St John's: Sunday 12noon-4.00pm; Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays 10.00am-4.00pm.

St Mary's

See the benefice website or St Mary's page on 'A Church Near You' at

www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11651

L, where you can download a copy of the current church magazine and weekly notice sheet.

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CRAFT GROUP



Here we are still crafting in isolation, but I think it is the knitting and sewing that has been our salvation through the months. As many have had, and are now getting the vaccinations, fingers crossed we may just meet again before summer-though Easter would be better!

Keep crafting, and take care.

Jane

Memorial Hall News



Nothing much to report here since the hall remains closed due to the lockdown restrictions. However, there is a glimmer of hope that we may be able to re-open on a limited basis from mid-March if there is an improvement in infection and hospitalisation rates. We can only wait and see.

For the moment we continue to inspect the hall regularly to ensure there is no over-wintering damage.

Village Lunches

This initiative by The Longlands continues to do well and across Borwick, Priest Hutton and the Yealands volunteers have delivered close to a hundred meals during the first two weeks of the scheme.

The meals are available to everyone as a small weekly treat to lift the lockdown gloom a little. We are circulating the menu and payment details weekly via the village email list and by posting on our website:

http://www.priesthutton.co.uk/

Village Lottery

Many thanks to all of you who have sent in your annual subs via Bacs and Standing Order. You will understand that in these Covid days it is impossible to call and collect your £12 annual subscription. If you have not yet paid and would still like to participate for 2021 then the bank details are below. The money collected is shared equally between the village hall and the prize money.

We will publish the prizes for 2021 early in February once all the subs are in and also announce the winners for the January and February draws. Best of luck everyone.

Borwick and Priest Hutton Lottery Club

Account 10067210

Sort Code 20-47-61

Ken Dunn

Chair, Memorial Hall Committee

A warm welcome to any new residents of Borwick or Priest Hutton who have moved in recently. We feel for you, moving to a new place with such limited opportunities to meet anyone at the moment! I'm sure that once things get up and running again, there will be ample opportunity to get to know your neighbours and future friends.

Where possible, our village communications are by digital means, so if you have received this as a paper copy and would like to be kept in the loop, I would be grateful if you could let me have the following information:

Your name(s) and address

Email address

Mobile number (and also indicate if you would like me to add you to the village WhatsApp group)

Please send to hjrooney64@gmail.com

Thank you!

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