

Borwick & Priest Hutton Village Newsletter

Merry Christmas everyone! Let's hope for a better one this year.

Are you a new resident of Borwick or Priest Hutton, or do you have new neighbours? Then please let me have an email address so that I can keep you up to date with newsletters and other relevant information. You can email me on hjrooney64gmail.com

Hilary Rooney

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December

- 5 Eucharist
9.15am St Mary's
- 7 WI Special Meeting
7pm Memorial Hall
- 9 Faith Matters
12 noon St Mary's
- 14 WI Christmas Dinner
6pm Memorial Hall
- 18 Christmas Coffee Morning
10am Memorial Hall
- 19 Children's Christmas Party
4-6pm Memorial Hall
- 19 Carol Service
6pm St Mary's
- 25 Christmas day Eucharist
9.15am St Mary's

January

- 2 Eucharist
9.15am St Mary's
- 4 Borwick Parish Meeting
7.30pm Memorial Hall
- 11 Faith Matters
12 noon St Mary's
- 11 Ladies Group Discussion Meeting
& Jacob's Join
7.30pm Memorial Hall
- 16 Eucharist (or Service of the
Word)
9.15am St Mary's
- 25 Gardeners' Club Special AGM
7.30pm Memorial Hall
- 29 Coffee Morning
10am Memorial Hall

February

- 1 Priest Hutton Parish Meeting
7.30pm Memorial Hall



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.

Ongoing Services at St Mary's

Sunday 9.15am Eucharist
(1st and 3rd Sundays. Sometimes 'Service of the Word' on 3rd Sunday.)

(No 9.15am service on 19 December due to 6pm Carol Service)

2nd Tuesday of the month, 11.00am
Eucharist

Sundays

8.00am Eucharist at St Oswald's (BCP)

9.15am Parish Eucharist at St John's, Yealand; this service will be livestreamed on our benefice [YouTube channel](#).

11.00am Parish Eucharist at St Oswald's, Warton

Midweek

Wednesday 9.15am Eucharist at St John's, Yealand.

Thursday 11.00am Eucharist at St Oswald's, Warton, followed by Breaking Bread lunch.

Please note that some Covid measures will continue at all services to help keep us safe: use of hand sanitiser; seating in alternate pews; face coverings encouraged when moving and when singing; Communion given in one kind (bread) only. Refreshments will be served after the Sunday services.



Services and activities for Advent and Christmas at St Mary's

- ❖ **Christmas Carol Service, 6.00pm Sunday 19 December**



This service will include readings and carols, with contributions from St Oswald's Youth Choir. Due to the Covid measures in place a maximum of 55 people will be able to attend this service.

- ❖ **Christmas Day Eucharist, 9.15am Saturday 25 December**

This 45-minute service will include carols and Holy Communion as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.



- ❖ **Interactive Advent Journey**

In each of our churches there is a series of posters telling the story of the journey to Bethlehem. Each poster will include a QR code (which can be scanned with a smart phone) which will link to audio recordings by people from our Junior Church, our Youth Choir, our local schools and congregations. Visit St Mary's at any time when it is open to enjoy this activity.



Also in the benefice...

❖ **Crib Service, 5.30pm
Friday 24 December at St John's,
Yealand.**

This 30-minute service will include the telling of the Christmas story as we create the nativity scene in the Christmas Crib. Due to the Covid measures in place a maximum of 60 people will be able to attend this service. We may be able to broadcast the service on our [YouTube channel](#).

Faith Matters

An informal monthly discussion group exploring the relevance of faith to contemporary issues.

**12 noon – 1.30pm on the 2nd Tuesday
each month at St Mary's Church,
Borwick.**

There is no pre-set theme; people are invited to come with suggestions of a current topic for the group to think about and reflect on.

Bring your own lunch;
drinks available from 11.45am.

**Something new coming soon
at St Mary's!**

Starting on **Thursday 17 February** there will be a new monthly social on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 2.00pm until 4.00pm, where you will be able to catch up with friends whilst enjoying a hot drink and cake.

Look out for
more information...

Save the date!



The Benefice and Social Media

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The St Mary's page on 'A Church Near You' is at www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11651/.

You can download a copy of the current *Parish News* magazine and weekly notice sheet from any of our online platforms.

The Revd Robin Figg 01524 732946 or vicarwby@outlook.com



If anyone has any information or concerns, please contact your Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator:

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Memorial Hall News



Re-Roofing Appeal

Very good news this month. We were successful in winning grants of £3000 from the Harold and Alice Bridges Trust and of £7500 from the Garfield Weston Foundation. I also received final confirmation from the Lancashire Environmental Fund of our main award of £30,000 subject to us raising £3300 as our 3rd party contribution.

The £1300 from our **Villages Lottery Fund** is now secured thanks to the generosity of villagers. Thank you to everyone for their support with this, especially the many new players and the regulars wrestling with their forms and banking apps to update their standing orders.

The final piece of the jigsaw will be the precept grants from the Parishes, which will be decided at their January precept meetings. If we succeed with our requests then we will be "good to go" with our project.

We hope that we can complete the work over 4 to 6 weeks. We will make a start in early June, during the annual Borwick and Priest Hutton drought. You know, that reliable sunfest where we enjoy weeks of warm dry weather. (If you are going to tempt fate you may as well do it big time!)

Ken Dunn



CHRISTMAS
COFFEE MORNING



The Coffee Morning in December will be held on Saturday 18 December, starting at 10.00am until approx. 11.30am.

Eric Rooney and his 'helpers' have once again agreed to provide some festive music, for which we are very grateful. Diane and Lesley are running the event and Dorothy Fell will run the raffle. If you wish to donate a raffle prize, or buy tickets before the event please contact Diane Sunderland or Dorothy Fell.

As you already know, the charity we are supporting this year is Parkinson's UK in memory of Tom Prew. This charity is constantly looking for new treatments and therapies which in turn will obviously improve lives. For several years Tom was 'Chair' of the Hall Committee, so always had the best interest of both villages and their communities in mind. There will be no charge for entrance or coffee but all donations and raffle monies will go towards this very worthwhile charity together with monies from our other coffee mornings which will run until the end of March.

Hopefully we can look forward to your support.

Maureen Thomas

Items for the February/March newsletter should be sent to hjrooney64@gmail.com by midnight on Friday 28 January.

Thank you! Hilary

Children's Christmas Party

Sunday 19 December 4-6pm
at the Memorial Hall

There will be entertainment and party food for the children, and cheese and wine for the adults.

All children in our villages up to 18 years old are welcome to attend, as well as any residents' grandchildren and visiting children.

There will be a present for every child from Father Christmas, so please let Liz Foulds know in advance the names and ages of all attendees on 07792689185.



Thank you!

Liz Foulds



Borwick Parish Meeting

The next meeting will be the AGM and will be held on Tuesday 4 January 2022 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. All Borwick residents are welcome to attend.

Priest Hutton Parish Meeting

The next Parish meeting will be held on Tuesday 1 February 2022 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. All Priest Hutton residents are welcome to attend.

Village Lottery News

This year we are having a single monthly prize of £20 but then two prizes in December, a first prize of £50 and a second prize of £20. Congratulations to the latest winners; please join if you can in 2022! Contact Claire Helme or Ken Dunn and we will email you a membership form.

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October winner - Helen Kitchen (£20)

November winner - Claire Helme (£20)

Claire Helme

Borwick & Priest Hutton WI

Following the W.I. Annual General Meeting in November no one was prepared to take on the role of President. Therefore a special meeting has been called on Tuesday 7 December 2021 at 7pm to discuss the suspension of the WI. Our area advisor Sheila Mitchell will take the meeting and it is hoped that as many members as possible will attend.

The Christmas dinner is to be held on Tuesday 14 December 2021 in the Memorial Hall at 6pm for 6.30pm.

If the suspension of the WI goes ahead it is hoped that a new ladies group may be formed. If anyone in the two villages is interested or has any ideas on what

form this group should take please come along to a meeting in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday 11 January 2022 at 7.30pm. A Jacob's Join supper will be held on that night.

Diane Sunderland

Gardeners' Club



Special AGM Tuesday January 25 2022

Following a plea from the Chairman, Carol Tennant, no offers have been made to serve on the Committee, therefore a special AGM has been called with only one item on the Agenda. That item is to debate and take a vote on the closure of the club. It is hoped that as many members as possible will be able to attend this very important meeting. The speaker for the evening will be Chris Mortimer with a presentation entitled Garden Dreams. Chris, who is from Preston, will tell us of the development of his garden at Mill Barn and the relationship between art and garden design.

If anyone is interested in joining the Gardeners' Club please contact the Chairman, Carol Tennant on 01524 732520.

Diane Sunderland



Sakura Project



A project to plant cherry trees and create a wildflower meadow on Priest Hutton parish lands.

We had a very busy few weeks at our wildflower meadow. James Fletcher and Fred Wallace managed to cut down all of the hogweed and really scalp the grass. They were followed by Martin Shuttleworth who very kindly trimmed the hedges and, under instruction, attacked the field with his harrow. We asked him to be as brutal as possible and he certainly complied. As I warned everyone, it will look like a horror story before it looks lovely.

Eddie Hodgson has been diligently collecting plant plugs over the summer along with lots of yellow rattle seeds. These will compete with the grasses to allow the wildflowers a chance at survival. He and Linda positioned all of the plugs and broadcast the seed so that we trod it in as we planted the plugs.

Thanks to Keith Brady and Richard Mellor for giving me a hand with that and also to Eddie, once again, for supporting us to consume most of Sue Mellor's apple cake.

Hedge laying has suffered a few setbacks since all of the autumn's hedge laying courses were cancelled and we thought it maybe not the best idea to let a bunch of enthusiastic incompetents loose on the hedges. No telling what damage we might inflict. However, I heard that the Westmorland society may be running a course later in December so we might wrap up warm and give it a try.

Otherwise, it is time to sit back and let Mother Nature do her work.

Ken Dunn

