

**Diary Dates**

February 4th Bishop Anna Eltringham at St. Wilfrid's 10.30am  
 February 10th Burnsall Village Green Coffee Morning Church House 10-12noon  
 Music Evening AVH in aid of Manorlands 7pm onwards  
 February 14th Valentine's Day Community Coffee Morning  
 Ash Wednesday Service Fountaine's Chapel, Linton  
 February 21st Lent Lunch Church House 12-1.30pm

St. John's

Date	Flowers	Cleaning
12th Feb	Christine Hibbert	Debbie Nicholson/ Jane Ellison-Bates
26th Feb		Gill Dawson
11th March	No flowers = Lent	Christine Hibbert/ Madeline Pye
25th March	Gill Dawson Easter Sunday 31/3	Sandra Falshaw/ Margaret Stockdale

St. Wilfrid's

Date	Flowers	Cleaning
5th Feb	Gill Stockdale	
18th Feb		Michaela Daggett and Vicky Rowley
3rd March	No flowers - Lent	Alice and Lydia
17th March		Yvonne Stockdale & Liz Yeomans

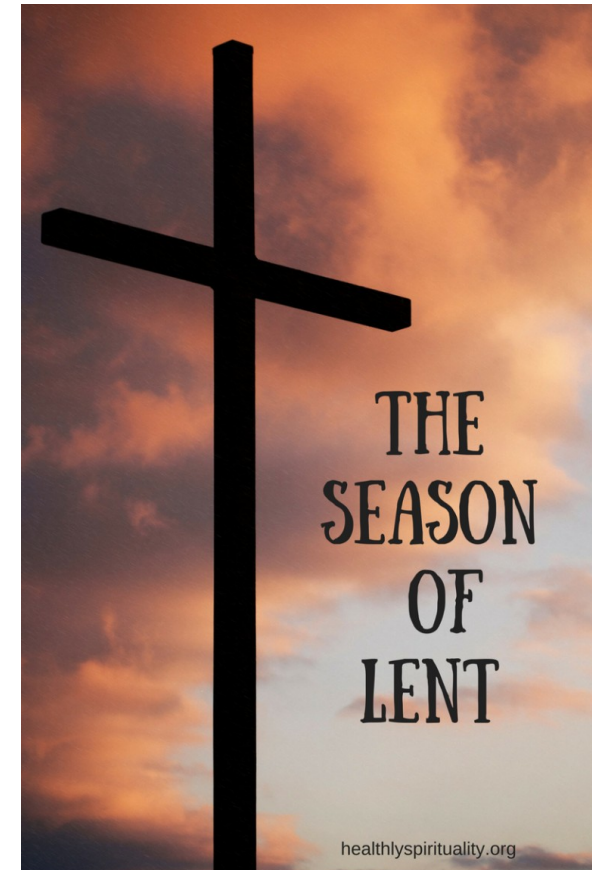
**These rotas are compiled annually and volunteers are always welcome. If you want to join the cleaning rota at St. Wilfrid's then please get in touch with Brenda Williams, for St John's please get in touch with Peter Weatherhead.**

**Youngsters are also needed to sweep the path at St. Wilfrid's.**

**Bellringing at Burnsall:**

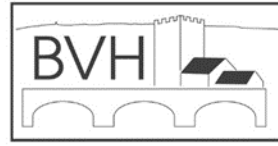
If you are interested in learning to ring the bells at St Wilfrid's, Burnsall, please contact Kevin Haseldine [krhaseldine@gmail.com](mailto:krhaseldine@gmail.com)  
 Open to all and no experience needed.

**BURNSALL NEWS**



**February  
2024**

# Soup & Pudding Lunch



Reg Charity No: 1114096



**SATURDAY 23rd MARCH 2024**

**11.30am to 2.00pm**

• **All Welcome** •

**Tickets Adults £10 Children £5**

Tickets from Yvonne

01756 720612

PROCEEDS TOWARDS THE MAINTENANCE  
OF BURNSALL VILLAGE HALL

<b>Sunday February 4th</b>	<b>2 Before Lent</b>	
10.30 St. Wilfrid's Holy Communion Jt Benefice Service with Bishop Anna	Welcomer Epistle Colossians 1.15-20 Gospel John 1. 1-14 Intercessions Eucharist Assistant	C. Fitton TBA TBA G. Burfitt J. Townend, B. Williams
<b>Sunday February 11th</b>	<b>Next Before Lent</b>	
9.30 St. Wilfrid's Holy Communion	Welcomer Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4.3-6 Gospel: Mark 9. 2-9 Intercessions Eucharist Assistant	V Burfitt B. Williams K. Horn E. Williams J. Clark
<b>Sunday February 18th</b>	<b>Lent 1</b>	
9.30 St. Wilfrid's Family Service 6pm St. John's Holy Communion	Welcomer Readers TBA Epistle 2 Corinthians 6. 1-10 Gospel Matthew 4. 1-11	J. Clark D. Nicholson G. Dawson
<b>Sunday February 25th</b>	<b>Lent 2</b>	
9.30 St. Wilfrid's Holy Communion  6pm St. John's Evening Prayer	Welcomer OT Reading Genesis 17. 1-7, 15-16 Gospel Mark 8. 31-end Intercessions Eucharist Assistant 1st Reading Genesis 28. 10-22 2nd Reading Mark 14. 27-42	D. Scriven R. Fort  S. Falshaw J. Clark J. Clark R. Flower J. Hibbert
<b>Sunday March 3rd</b>	<b>Lent 3</b>	
9.30 St. Wilfrid's Holy Communion  6pm St. John's Evening Prayer	Welcomer OT Reading Exodus 20. 1-17 Gospel John 2 13-22 Intercessions Eucharist Assistant 1st Reading Genesis 42. 1-15 2nd Reading Mark 14. 66-72	R. Fort R. Blair J. Clark G. Burfitt J. Townend P. Weatherhead J. Ellison-Bates

## Burnsall Village Hall

We are continuing to hold Coffee Mornings on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 10am to 12noon. There is no charge, this is just an opportunity for people to meet and have a chat over a coffee.

# Burnsall Village Green

## Coffee Morning

at

## Church House, Grassington

### Saturday

### 10th February

### 10 till 12noon

## Cake stall, tombola and raffle

**Donations of cakes, raffle and tombola prizes gratefully accepted. If you can bring them to Rectory Cottage, Burnsall, that would be wonderful. but I'm quite happy to collect items. Brenda**

## New Beginnings

Dear Friends,

My wife Clare is a member of a gym. She loves it and can be found there at least three times a week. She mentioned to me the other day that it's recently become less crowded than it was at the beginning of January. Apparently this is a common phenomenon. January 1st each year sees a massive surge in gym memberships. The turning of the year can be a spur to getting back on board with good intentions with campaigns like Veganuary and Dry January proving very popular. But, as Clare will attest from her observations at the gym, for many, these changes in lifestyle are often short-lived. And I'm not surprised. Midwinter, with its dark and cold, is an extraordinarily difficult time to start something new and stick to it. Perhaps, if we're the sort of people who make resolutions at New Year, we could ask for a few months' grace and start them in March when the seasons begin to change and we can make a fresh start as the natural world seems to be doing the same.

For me, the season of spring starts when I see the first plucky snowdrops poking their noses up through the frosty soil. Maybe you know that snowdrops are sometimes known as 'Candlemas Bells', linking them to the Church's marking the Presentation of Christ in the Temple on the 2nd February. As the earth slowly begins to warm, along the lanes of the Dales and at the base of dry stone walls, thousands of little white flowers will pop up seemingly overnight and begin to nod their heads in the chilly breeze.

Plants whose seeds have lain dormant in the cold earth for months, suddenly burst into life. Animals that have battened down the hatches to see out the winter in a warm, cosy home come blinking out into the brightness. Everything feels new in this time of re-starting, resetting, beginning again.

There are clear links to the Easter story where Jesus' resurrection after three days in the tomb is, for Christians, a new beginning - a new Creation just as miraculous as the first.

This sense of newness is something that it maybe takes time to get used to. For me, it feels like we are even now still emerging from the closed world of Covid lockdowns, like post-hibernation creatures, blinking into the light, reacquainting ourselves with a world that feels a little different to what we were used to before.

As I was thinking about the season of spring, Easter and new life in preparation of these few words, two texts presented themselves to me. The first is from the Book of Lamentation in the Old Testament:

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

And an extract from a poem by the author most famous for the book 'What Katy Did',  
Susan Coolidge:

Here are the skies all burnished brightly,  
Here is the spent earth all re-born,  
Here are the tired limbs springing lightly  
To face the sun and to share with the morn  
In the chrism of dew and the cool of dawn.

Every day is a fresh beginning;  
Listen, my soul, to the glad refrain,  
And, spite of old sorrow and older sinning,  
And puzzles forecasted and possible pain,  
Take heart with the day, and begin again.

Before Easter, of course, comes Lent which starts on Ash Wednesday (14th Feb). Lent is a time when traditionally folk would give something up, but it can also be a time when you try something new - maybe reading one of the many excellent Lent books that are available or coming to the Church House Lent Lunches or the Quiet Day. You would be very welcome.

I wish you all a happy and blessed  
Lenten season and hope that it is  
filled with a sense of renewal and  
potential for growth, in whatever  
form that may come.

God bless,

Matthew

## Lent 2024

### Wednesday 14th February

10am - Holy Communion with ashing, Church House

6pm - Quiet Communion with ashing, Fountaine's  
Chapel

### Wednesday 21st February

12noon-1.30pm - Lent Lunch, Church House

### Saturday 9th March

11am-3pm - Quiet Day, venue TBC

### Wednesday 27th March

12noon-1.30pm -Lent Lunch, Church House



## BURNSALL VILLAGE HALL CENTENARY CLUB

**(THE CLUB EXISTS IN SUPPORT OF THE UPKEEP  
AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE VILLAGE HALL)**

**Last year over £1500 was raised by club members to support the running of the hall, a key component in this vibrant community. The hall has hosted such events as stage musicals, pantomime, social events, concerts, village meetings, demonstrations, dances, film nights and many more. Can you suggest anything for those long winter evenings? New members are needed and very much welcome Free coffee mornings from 10 to 12am are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Why not come along to the next one?**

**A prize draw is made in the spring, summer, autumn and winter each year with the following prizes.**

**1st prize £120.00,**

**2nd prize £30.00,**

**3rd prize £20.00**

**The annual membership subscription is just £25.00**

**If you would like to help by joining please contact one of the following.**

**Mike Fitton on 720314, e.mail :[mikefitton@sky.com](mailto:mikefitton@sky.com)**

**Brenda Williams on 720335, [williams@daelnet.co.uk](mailto:williams@daelnet.co.uk)**

**Yvonne Stockdale, 720612, [wharfegate@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:wharfegate@yahoo.co.uk)**

## Christmas Greetings

The December issue of the Burnsall News carried the annual Christmas Greetings. Donations have been pouring in and all donations are welcome. These generous amounts help pay for the costs of the magazine. Donations, cash or cheque, can be dropped off at Rectory Cottage, Burnsall. Please use an envelope with your name and Christmas Greetings on the front. Donations can be made using BACs, details - Account name PCC Burnsall; Sort code 20 78 42; Acc No 10688789

## From a reader

There are things they do at Buckden  
At Arncliffe and Aprick too  
That we who live in Burnsall  
Would rather die than do.  
With Grassington's behaviour  
We don't see eye to eye.  
For the moral tone of Burnsall  
Is very, very high.  
Tongue in cheek of course. No offence intended to our valued neighbours in Upper Wharfedale

## Burnsall Carol Singing

December 23rd was in the middle of another storm but it did not stop the brave Carol Singers getting their togs on and braving the wind and the rain. The wassailers were very grateful to the hosts who invited them in for a drink and a nibble, and most of all a chance to get dry and warm. The group kept going and ended up at the Red Lion and finished the evening with a rousing rendition of The 12 days of Christmas. About £150 was raised for church funds as well. Well done to all who turned out especially the young Blairs and Stockdales.

## Church matters

A record breaking Christmas! The number of people attending services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day was extremely encouraging. Nearly 200 people attended one of the three services on offer - well over 50% of the parish! This was a fantastic turn out and shows that our church community is very healthy. The editor would dearly love to see this attendance in church every week!!!

## Christmas Fair

Another record breaking event. The amount raised for Church Fabric Funds was £1511 - a few hundred pounds more than usual. The main contributor to this was the kitchen which made over £800 - a fantastic day's work and thanks to a fantastic team - Wendy, Louise and Brenda. Many thanks to the army of volunteers who helped with stalls, selling raffle tickets or manning the tombola. Most of all thanks to all who turned up on the day and supported the event.

Christmas Trees - we are extremely grateful to have the BVH and Church trees donated. Many thanks

## Rylstone & District WI

The Rylstone and District W.I. met for the first meeting of 2024 on January 4th. President Joan White Welcomed members and read out apologies for absence and general notices.

Joan then introduced the evening's speaker, Dr Carol Tetlow. Although Dr Tetlow retired 9 years ago, she has kept her involvement with the NHS, particularly because of the great need for extra help during the COVID crisis.

She outlined the long and tortuous path which led to her finally being qualified as a GP. Clearly by definition this title demands a very wide range of knowledge over numerous branches of medicine. She found she missed having easy access to a wide range of experts to confer with when she stepped outside the hospital system. However, it was with great pride that she was finally to see her name on a brass plate outside a general practice in Harrogate.

Dr Tetlow worked with 7 other doctors covering 16,000 patients in Harrogate. Gradually she became accustomed to the different style and requirements of working outside a hospital. In the ward patients are generally quite ill and the doctor/patient relationship whilst close is generally transient. In contrast a GP will have a longer and deeper relationship which may last for years and cover many members of a family.

However, things are changing and with easy accessibility of the Internet there is now a great deal of self-diagnosis. Much of it is inaccurate and leads to further issues. Also, over the years there has been a reluctance amongst GPs to make house calls although this has often been considered as an important tool in understanding the patient.

Dr Tetlow shared a fund of anecdotes from her time in Harrogate, many amusing, some tragic. She showed the range of situations to which a GP may be exposed and in which they are expected to react effectively. This is what has given the GP such a valued role in society. It also takes its toll on the doctor. This was apparent as Dr Tetlow confessed that the smell of aviation fuel still makes her feel ill many years after attending an horrendous plane crash.

Times change and whilst Dr Tetlow didn't think all changes were for the better, she had enjoyed her years in the GP sector and was certain it was a vital and important part of our community.

Dr Tetlow was thanked for her fascinating and amusing talk and then tea and excellent cakes and savouries were served.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 7.15pm at Cracoe Village Hall when Nicky Sykes of Hebden will be speaking on 'Bone Health & Exercise'



# JOIN US FOR LUNCH in Lent

at CHURCH HOUSE GRASSINGTON on

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February

and

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

## 12noon to 1.30pm



***Come and enjoy homemade  
soup, bread and cheese!***

Hi everybody,

We're excited to announce, that on Saturday 10th February, there will be a music evening at Appletreewick Village Hall. Live music performed by new local covers band, The Sharks, plus support. Doors open 7pm. Music starts 7.30pm, followed by dancing until late

The band comprises Andy Thorne on lead vocals and Bass guitar, Shaun Nelson on keys, and the very very talented young guitarist Wilf Naylor who has been drafted in from North Lincolnshire, and vocal support from Jacqui Eames.

The gig follows very positive responses to our warm up performances, and we will be playing favourites from the 60's, 70's and 80's. There will be plenty of opportunities for dancing during the gig, followed by dancing to some of your Vinyl Night favourites and others.

To keep the cost down, we will be asking everyone to bring their own drinks (and snacks if they wish), which means we can offer tickets at just £5, with all profits being donated to Manorlands.

Please support your local musicians, your village hall, Manorlands, and have an amazing night all at the same time.

Tickets, to be bought in advance from:

Andy Thorne	- <a href="mailto:andyjoandy@yahoo.co.uk">andyjoandy@yahoo.co.uk</a> ,	tel: 07817 894431
Gilly Hart	- <a href="mailto:gillysdesk@yahoo.co.uk">gillysdesk@yahoo.co.uk</a> ,	tel: 07738 357917
Sophia Morgans	- <a href="mailto:sophiamorgans@hotmail.com">sophiamorgans@hotmail.com</a> ,	tel: 07875 783195

Payments (marked with your name) can be dropped through the letterboxes of:

Gilly Hart: Nursery Knott, near Stump Cross Caverns, HG3 5JL  
Sophia Morgans: Rosemary Cottage, Appletreewick, BD23 6DA

Looking forward to seeing you there.

The Sharks!