



You can find November's council meeting minutes on the website <http://www.burneside-pc.org.uk/> and on village noticeboards



Are you passionate about your local area?

Do you enjoy being part of a team?

Would you like to offer your skills and experience?

Do you have some free time?

Would you want to make a difference in your community?

**BURNESIDE PARISH COUNCIL
CURRENTLY HAVE
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BURNESIDE MILLENNIUM GREEN TRUST

During the last few years the Millennium Green has suffered a number of disruptions due to the flood of 2015 and the subsequent rebuild of Ford Bridge. Some of you will have noticed that the path behind the garages has been resurfaced recently, the surface was washed away by the 2015 flood.

Crocus and native daffodils have also been planted this autumn.

During the next few weeks work will begin tackling the problem of Ash dieback which has affected many of the ash trees along the riverbank. For the safety of users of the Green it is necessary to undertake some selective tree surgery. The contractor will be leaving cut timber on site which members of the community are welcome to take away.

Whilst the Trustees and volunteers maintain the Green on a day to day basis other work such as grass cutting, tree work etc. has to be done by contractors. All this work involves money and the Trustees wish to thank The Parish Council and The Anglers Inn Trust for their support without which we would be unable to maintain The Green.

December 2021



Dear Friends

Many of the retail advertisements this year seem to have a common theme of encouraging people to be extravagant, and spend, spend, spend to make up for last year. They are full of lights, magical journeys, presents and lots of food. One of the adverts even features a young boy circling all the things he wants as presents in a Christmas catalogue.

We are told that Christmas is meant to be a time of giving. For a huge chunk of our society that has been translated into having to spend as much as you can, on presents for everyone. even if you can't really afford it. Ignoring the fact that the recipient might well have much of it already,

In the midst of all this spending and excitement the reason for the gift seems to have been forgotten.

The strapline of all those adverts I mentioned earlier seems to be 'this is what makes Christmas special'. Yet the one thing missing from them all, is what Christmas is about, Jesus's birth.

Whilst the adverts focus on presents and spending money to ensure everyone has a happy Christmas, Jesus showed us that we don't need a lot of money to make a difference to others, In fact we don't really need to spend money at all. That is not what giving is about.

We can give time, support, help and anything else that will, in the giving, help those who receive. It is amazing just how much a few words of comfort can affect the recipient of them; or a simple gesture of helping someone in and out of the house with shopping bags.

Jesus of course gave the greatest gift of all, with no finance attached to it. A chance to live with him in his Father's house. To give us this, he gave his life. This gift is worth more than anything money can buy.

I am not suggesting that you ignore friends and family at Christmas, in fact quite the opposite: be generous, but that doesn't need to be in the price and number of gifts. Just remember to be even more generous to those who are in need. We live in a society that is built on wealth, but it should be built on kindness and love, both of which we can give in abundance without cost.

Have a wonderful and giving filled Christmas.

Best wishes

Tricia



DECEMBER CHURCH SERVICES ST.OSWALD'S, BURNESIDE

- 5th Holy communion 11am
- 12th Morning worship 11am
- 19th Carol service 4pm
- 24th Crib service 4pm
- 25th Holy communion 11am
- 26th Holy communion 11am



As from the 1st of December there will be a Book of Common prayer communion in the Lady Chapel every Wednesday at 9.30 am.

SOUP LUNCH SATURDAYS

4th December—with Christmas gifts and music
8th January 2022
12 midday
* £4 per person *
Includes Soup & roll tea / coffee and biscuits
EVERYONE WELCOME
PLEASE COME & JOIN US
Enjoy a chat over lunch

Afternoon tea

Thursday 9th December
3-5pm

CHRISTMAS LUNCH The church is hosting a Christmas Lunch for the more senior citizens in the village on December 21st at 1pm in the church meeting room.
Expect a full Christmas meal, with crackers, funny hats, music, quiz and lots of chat. Sign up for a place in the corridor of the church.
If transport is needed, we can organise a lift to and from the venue if you let us know. For more information contact Judith on 07765 793 758

ADVENT

Prepare yourself for Christmas and take time from all the busyness by joining with us to look at some of the themes of Advent and listen to some music.

Please come and join us starting week beginning 29th November

Tuesday at 7.00 at St George's Chapel

Thursday at 7.00 at Skelsmergh Village Hall

Friday at 7.00 at Timerondale, Bowston (starts 26th Nov)

We will also be having a short Advent Celtic Prayer at 7pm every Wednesday all through Advent in St Georges Church, Kendal

Contact Tricia (01539722015) if you would like more details



Beacon Mission Community Lending Library

Have you visited the Library at the back of St George's Church in Kendal? Made possible by the generous donation of Peter Barker's family, of many of his books. We want to increase what we have to offer over the next few months with new books being added every month.

There are books for everyone, covering a very wide range of subjects and age groups. As well as novels and some books for children, you will find reference

books on all aspects of the Bible, as well as biographies. There are also books to help those struggling with understanding the Bible.

Many specialist books now are extremely expensive and difficult for individuals to afford but by having them in the library we hope that we can make them accessible to as wide a group of people as possible.

In addition to books we are also gathering a stock of DVDs and CDs for you to borrow.

If you have suggestions of Christian books you would like us to stock please let Geoff (admin@beconteam.org.uk) know and we will endeavour to see if we can obtain them. If you have current books about the Bible that you would like to donate please let us know or make a donation to buy more.

Beacon Team Magazine

We are hoping to have a Beacon Team Magazine serving all our Churches and communities with separate sections for each parish and their community news.

The editors of our current magazines have done amazing work over the years, but two of them now feel it is time to retire and hand on the role to someone else.

Do you feel you may have the skill and time to be our editor? You will get lots of support from the editors who remain, in pulling together information from their own areas AND plenty of advice,

Maybe two or three people could work as an editorial group?

The magazine is such an important way to keep our communities informed about what is happening and we want to ensure this continues.

Please ring Tricia Rogers (01539 722015) for a chat, with absolutely no obligation, to find out more.



It's never been easier to make a small donation to Church

St Oswald's Church is here for our whole community. Please keep us here for the future. Every £1 helps.

No small change and you want to give a donation for the use of the toilet? **Now you can**

Want to say thank you for an event you have had in Church? **Now you can**

There is a contactless machine in the Church corridor

It is fast and easy – just decide the amount, then tap your card on the machine

It is safe and secure – all data is transmitted with full encryption **THANK YOU**

VILLAGE TREE PLANTING There will be another planting of trees in the Parish to involve saplings that will beautify where we live.

If you can help us to plant before mid December or have space for a tree on your property please contact me -

judithnotley@gmail.com or 07765 793 758

