

WHO'S WHO IN THE CHURCH

BENEFICE OF HAWKSHEAD WITH LOW WRAY, SAWREY, RUSLAND AND SATTERTHWAITE

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Dear Friends,

One of the many curious things that Jesus tells us is that we are to receive the Kingdom of God as a child.

One of the greatest gifts that children have is the curiosity to stop and look: to stop and peer at a slug, to marvel at the way a weed grows in the middle of some concrete. Sometimes grown-ups want to do that, but usually sensible grown-upness triumphs.

So instead we rush onto the next moment, longing to turn the next page, while the small child can be content to dwell in the present and savour its every possibility.

One of the ways that we can become more childlike is by relishing the creation around us, looking attentively, relishing its kaleidoscopic variety and intricacy, and, if you wish, seeking God's presence in it. And what an advantage we have living here, as thousands of the visitors we receive are very happy to remind us.

But for most of us most of the time, life is rather different from this. We worry. We either rake over the past or fret anxiously about the future. Joy is something we hope for, something to purchase, an occasional treat, an award waiting for us in the future, something we need to earn or achieve.

Another curious thing Jesus said is 'Consider the lilies of the field'. The phrase means the ordinary everyday flowers around us. Consider them, the tiny insignificant flowers, the daisies we don't usually notice.

It would be wonderful to see God in every person, everything and every moment, and to delight in that. To do this fully would be to dwell in heaven, but occasionally doing nothing, just watching the birds, considering the daisies, is to know a little bit of heaven on earth.

John

Any comments, articles or queries for the Link should be emailed to: esthwaitelink@gmx.com or given to Kathleen Farnworth or John Dixon

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Items should be no longer than 300 words.

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MAY SERVICES

6th	9.30 a.m.	Morning Worship & Sunday School	Hawkshead
	9.45 a.m.	Holy Communion	Satterthwaite
	11.15 a.m.	Holy Communion	Sawrey
	6.00 p.m.	Celtic Evening Prayer	Rusland
	6.00 p.m.	Churches Together Holy Communion service, Methodist Chapel...	Hawkshead
13th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion & Sunday School	Hawkshead
	11.15 a.m.	Matins	Sawrey
	11.15 a.m.	Holy Communion	Rusland
	6.00 p.m.	Evensong	Satterthwaite
	6.00 p.m.	Celtic Evening Prayer	Hawkshead
20th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion & Sunday School ...	Hawkshead
	9.45 a.m.	Morning Worship	Satterthwaite
	11.15 a.m.	Holy Communion	Sawrey
	6.00 p.m.	Evensong	Rusland
	6.00 p.m.	Celtic Evening Prayer	Hawkshead
27th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Hawkshead
	11.15 a.m.	Morning Worship	Sawrey
	11.15 a.m.	Holy Communion joint with Satterthwaite.	Rusland
	6.00 p.m.	Celtic Evening Prayer	Hawkshead

SERVICE TIMES OF OTHER DENOMINATIONS:

Baptist Chapel, Hawkshead Hill, 10.30 a.m.

Methodist Chapel, Hawkshead

6th May 6.00 pm Churches Together Holy Communion

13th May 11.00am Morning Worship

Society of Friends (Quakers) Meeting House Colthouse, Sunday, 10.00 a.m.

Faith Story will not take place in May

From the Registers

Funeral at Barrow Crematorium and Hawkshead Church on
26th March- Edgar Haydock

Married on 24th March at Hawkshead David Galway and
Rachel Kirkman

My grateful thanks to John Dixon and John Dawson, the Hawkshead and Community Transport team who have taken me to Barrow to visit Edgar in recent months, often at short notice, and for the cards and messages of sympathy on his passing. The donations of £346 will be divided between The Bell Tower Fund and Hawkshead 1st responders. A generous gift of £100 from the Outgate Reading Room Trust also will also be given to Hawkshead 1st Responders. *Brenda Haydock and Family.*

ASCENSION DAY WALK

On Thursday, 10th May there will be a walk from Tarn Hows to the top of Black Crag, where there will be a short act of worship for Ascension Day. We will meet at Tarn Hows (NT) Car park at 6.00 p.m. and will return by 9.00 p.m. The walk goes over some rough ground, so sturdy footwear is required. For more information contact John Dixon on 015394 36301, jjcedixon@btinternet.com .

A THANKSGIVING FOR LAMBING and FARMING at HIGH WRAY FARM Wednesday 30th May 6pm

A Service to thank and bless and pray for our local farming community will be held at High Wray Farm. All are welcome to come to this special occasion. Refreshments will follow.

BENEFICE WALK

Watermillock Church to Aira Force

The May Benefice Walk will be on Thursday 17th May. We will meet at the Aira Force Car park on the shores of Ullswater, just off the A592, OS Grid NY400200, at 10.30 a.m. It is a National Trust car park. Making sure we leave some transport at Aira Force, we will then go together in cars to Watermillock Church, from where we will walk back to Aira Force, a walk of about 4 miles.

Anybody welcome. Bring a picnic. For more information contact John Dixon- 015394 36301 jjcedixon@btinternet.com

CHURCH TOWER

Our contractors (Askins & Little of Penrith) hope to erect their scaffolding at the beginning of May and to start work shortly thereafter. Some noise and mess is inevitable but the contractors will do their best to keep this to a minimum. There will be no significant weekend working. Users of the churchyard are asked to take particular care during this period but it is not anticipated that we will need to close any of the footpaths. The clock will be stopped, with the faces being taken down for repair, and the bells will not be rung for about eight weeks. When the scaffolding is removed, the new lime-mortar pointing will look white and perhaps a bit out-of-keeping. But it will slowly over the years darken to a light grey and will eventually match the rest of the church.

Inevitably, the project is going to cost more than when we first priced it, some two and a half years ago and fund-raising activity is continuing. Please support these events as we bring this project to completion. There will be a service of thanks and rededication later in the year.

CLAIFE PARISH MEETING, Tuesday, 1st May at Wray Castle, 7.30 p.m. Refreshments, courtesy of the National Trust served at 7.00 p.m. and after the half hour →

there will be a chance to visit the Castle. *Dr Chris Lane, Chair of Claife Parish Council.*

HAWKSHEAD & OUTDATE W.I.

Tuesday, 8th May, 1.30 p.m.

Discussion on the NFWI Resolutions.

Monday, 14th May, 7.45 p.m.

Discussion and vote on Resolutions s.

Both meetings are in the Lower Market Hall.

SUNDAY, 27 May

SAWREY MAY QUEEN

Please join us for a lovely afternoon!

The May Queen procession will leave Near Sawrey at 2.00 p.m. arriving at Braithwaite hall in Far Sawrey for Maypole Dancing and crowning of the May Queen. This will be followed by the ever popular cream teas and stalls to browse and raffles. If you're interested in helping, or having a stall, running a game or have donations for the raffle please get in touch with Kath Tanner (secretary) via email: kltrst@outlook.com.

1st Hawkshead Rainbows, Brownies and Guides are looking for new volunteers to support girls and young women to enjoy a wide range of exciting activities. If you can spare a couple of hours a week, please contact Judith on 41245 or have a look at www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus. We would be very grateful for your support.



Ensure inclusive and equitable

quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

The UK Government has a comprehensive framework of legislation, policy and accountability that provides the basis for overall governance and delivery of education. Key components of this include:

- helping children in the poorest countries gain a decent education,
- promoting girls' education;
- ensuring the expansion of good schools,
- delivering three million new apprenticeships
- making improvements to the higher education system.

Around the World : There is a need to improve access to education and make serious global improvements in education to win the fight against poverty . Improving education increases wages, improves the life chances of people and their families and provides economies with skilled labour forces. Improving education not only improves people's lives, but is good economics. Since 2010 the UK government have supported 11.3 million children in primary and lower secondary school (including 5.3 million girls) and worked through global partners to train 380,000 teachers, including supporting education for the most vulnerable, through the Syria Conference hosted in February 2016 where global commitments were made to ensure vulnerable and refugee children have access to quality education. The UK Government will continue to contribute to Goal 4 by helping 11 million children gain a decent education from 2015-2020 and supporting 6.5 million girls in school.

At Home : Early years: Every child deserves the best possible start in life. There is now extended access to 15 hours a week of high-quality early education to all 3 and 4-year-old children in England (moving to 30 hours a week) and the least advantaged 2-year-olds, to prepare them for school and improve their life chances.

Schools: It is the UK Government's belief that all our children, regardless of where they live, should have a place in a great school, and learn from a great teacher.

The education and prospects of millions of children have been raised; to drive further improvements, a fairer national funding formulae to match funding to children's needs and the schools they attend is being rolled out. The pupil

premium provides additional funding for publicly funded schools to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils of all abilities and to close the gaps between them and their peers.

Post-16 skills : Young people need to leave school ready to succeed, to be able to get a job and to contribute to the security of our country's economy. To achieve this, the post-16 education and training landscape will be simplified, establishing clear, high-quality technical routes to skilled employment for all young people in England, following the recommendations of the expert panel chaired by Lord Sainsbury. These routes will prepare individuals for skilled employment that requires technical and practical skills valued by industry. Currently the Higher Education and Research Bill is going through Parliament. Furthermore, the creation of 3 million new apprenticeships by 2020, will allow more young people to access high-quality employment and training. During 2015/16 there were 503,700 apprenticeship starts and 904,800 funded apprentices participating on an apprenticeship.

Joyce Hallam

MAKING MORE FROM LESS (Alastair Macintosh *Hell and High Water*)

One of the trade indicators that gives me most hope for the future is that, worldwide, the market for Fair Trade certified products grew by 42% in 2006. It directly benefited more than 7 million producers. To my mind paying for things like that is better than giving to charity. It embodies justice and so upholds dignity. None of the genuine ethical products require coercion or manipulation to make them leap off the shelves. Demand simply comes from people's growth in consciousness; from a growing activation of the inner life. To activate the inner life means to deepen the capacity for presence. Presence applied to what we consume means a savouring of things, a drawing out of the full satisfaction that something can give us because our attitude receives its totality. For example, when I hold in my hand a glass of good malt whisky, I don't just gulp it down. I cradle it around and warm it in my hand. I'll spend several minutes before tasting a drop, just enjoying the aroma. It is the distillate of the land that I imbibe – the essence of barley, peat, the sea and the people who made it.

Applying the same principal to consumption as a whole, we are called upon to be *connoisseur*. That's how to make more out of less and be the richer for it. Far from being a recipe to kill joy, it's the only sustainable way to enjoy.

Plastic the new enemy! After years of happily drinking from single-use plastic bottles and accepting that our food comes wrapped in multiple layers of plastic, we're waking up to the impact this throwaway culture is having on nature.

Blue Planet II changed all that. Filmed in heart-wrenching detail, viewers saw for themselves the plight of birds, fish and other sea creatures tangled in bits of plastic, often still recognisable as the packaging we discard from our busy lives. And that's just the stuff we can see.

As plastic drifts on ocean currents it breaks down, slowly, into tiny plastic fragments – secondary microplastics. These particles are small enough to be ingested, by fish and other creatures, entering the food chain. That's our food chain.

Even the pristine wilderness of the Arctic is threatened. A couple of weeks ago, the BBC reported research presented at an Arctic conference in Norway that showed up to 234 particles of plastic per cubic metre of Arctic sea ice.

With every story, it becomes even more obvious that change is desperately needed. And the Church is starting to take a lead. This Lent, Christians around the UK have been cutting back on plastic as part of the *#PlasticLessLent* movement. It's more and more common to see people walk into their local coffee shop with a reusable cup. All of this is encouraging progress.

Ultimately, love is always a stronger motivator than guilt. We can cut back on plastic, particularly the single-use stuff that goes straight in the bin. But let's not do it because it's fashionable to feel guilty in the light of a beautifully made TV show. Let's do it because we love God, we love his nature and we want to preserve it for generations to come. Jean Crosbie.

I am over 25 and entitled to the National Living Wage, but I suspect I am being underpaid. How can I find out if I'm being paid the right amount, and claim what I am owed from my employer?

If you think you've been underpaid, act quickly, as it's harder to get your money back after three months. Check your payslip and ask your employer to explain anything you don't understand. Tell them why you think you have been underpaid. If there was a genuine mistake, you should be repaid immediately.

If your employer refuses to pay, you can formally raise a grievance, either by writing a letter or following your company's grievance procedure.

If this still doesn't work, contact the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas), who will see if your employer will agree to a conciliation process, rather than go to court. Otherwise you can take your employer to a tribunal, but think carefully because a tribunal claim can be expensive and stressful.

If you need any advice or guidance through this process, contact your nearest Citizens Advice. *Please note that from 1 April 2018 the opening hours at Windermere will be reduced, but contact details remain the same.*

Free, confidential advice and help is available from South Lakes Citizens Advice 03444 111 444 for an housing, employment or any other problems. give advice

