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A Local Magazine covering the
Parishes of Hawkshead, with Low Wray and Sawrey,
Rusland and Satterthwaite

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Dear Friends,

At the end of March we will celebrate Easter. It is so early this year that, as I write this, it seems like we have barely got Christmas out of the way. But that reminds me just how connected these two Christian festivals are. 'What has Easter got to do with Christmas?' is perhaps a question that nobody is asking me, but I want to try to answer it anyway.

Christmas is when we discover that God affirms creation so deeply that, despite everything, God thought it was worth entering our life, taking on our mantle, and inhabiting our existence. He can't bear to be separated from us, and so becomes one of us. This is what everything is for. God made the world in order to be with us. Christmas affirms the fleshly, tangible, earthiness of human existence. Matter matters. Stuff is so good that God wants to be stuff.

Easter, which we celebrate this month, affirms the same things, but goes a step further. A massive step further. The death of Jesus by crucifixion was humanity having one almighty allergic reaction to the goodness of God, to God being with us. We have always rebelled against God's love, but maybe never quite as much as this. But the joy of Easter, of Christ's resurrection, is that we see that God will be with us in Christ, even when we have tried our hardest to prevent that from happening. Easter shows us that nothing whatsoever can stop God being with us, not just at a particular moment in history – but forever. Love will have the last word.

Why not plan to come and celebrate Easter with us?

John

****Service times for March are listed overleaf, followed by details of the Passion Play that will be acted out on Good Friday in Ambleside at 11 am and in Hawkshead at 3 pm.****

CHURCH SERVICES IN MARCH 2024.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

3 March:

9.30 am	Morning Worship	Hawkshead
11.15 am	Holy Communion (CW)	Sawrey
5 pm	Celtic Evening Prayer	Rusland

10 March:

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Hawkshead
11.15 am	Matins	Sawrey
11.15 am	Holy Communion	Satterthwaite

17 March:

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Hawkshead
11.15 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Sawrey
5 pm	Evensong	Rusland

24 March (Palm Sunday):

9.30 am	Holy Communion (with procession from village)	Hawkshead
11.15 am	Morning Worship	Sawrey
11.15 am	Holy Communion	Rusland

28 March (Maundy Thursday):

7 pm	Liturgy for Maundy Thursday	Sawrey
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29 March (Good Friday):

3 pm	Passion Play	Hawkshead
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30 March (Easter Saturday):

8 pm	Service of Light	Rusland
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31 March (Easter Sunday):

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Hawkshead
11.15 am	Holy Communion	Sawrey
11.15 am	Holy Communion	Satterthwaite

OTHER DENOMINATIONS

- Hawkshead Methodist Church 'Time at 10': **Thursdays 10.00 am**
- Hawkshead Hill Baptist Church 'Morning Worship': **Sundays 10.30 am**
- Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), Colthouse Quaker Meeting House. **2nd and 4th Sundays 10.30 am.**

PASSION PLAY 2024

On **Good Friday, 29 March** members of the Central Lakes Mission Community will be performing a **Passion Play** with action and music to celebrate the events of Holy Week (the period from Palm Sunday to Easter). There will be two performances:

- **11 am at St Mary's Church, Ambleside**
- **3 pm at St Michael and All Angels Church, Hawkshead**

The Passion Play will take place outdoors, followed by refreshments indoors after each performance. Come and join the action!

BIBLE IN ART FOR LENT

John Dixon will lead two sessions that use some of the world's great masterpieces as a doorway to reflect on life and faith. No knowledge of art or the Bible is required. Both sessions (with tea/coffee) will be held in **Brathay Church Hall** on:

- **Monday, 4 March at 2.30 pm** and
- **Tuesday, 19 March at 2.30 pm**

HAWKSHEAD COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNINGS

These will take place in the Market Hall on Wednesdays from 10.30 am to 11.30 am. On the **Third Wednesday** in the month there will be a soup lunch from 11.30 am to 12.30 pm. **All are welcome.**

DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP/AMBLESIDE PARISH CENTRE

A Support Group for all those affected by dementia and associated illnesses will meet from **10.30 to 11.30 am on Tuesday, 19 March** in the **Wesley Room at Ambleside Parish Centre**. People living with dementia and their carers/friends will have time to chat and to engage in a range of activities and games. As well as providing lots of useful information/leaflets, we anticipate that **Elaine Ravenhall (Alzheimer's Society)** will be joining us.

Additionally, on Tuesday, 16 April there will be an information hub with organisations available to provide health and social care information face to face for everyone seeking help and support for age-related conditions, including dementia. A full list of attending organisations will be available before the meeting.

This invaluable monthly support group for everyone affected by dementia and associated illnesses will take place **every third Tuesday of the month (timing and location as shown above)**.

Don't miss this opportunity to connect, learn, and find the support you need. **Call 015394 34172** or email admin@amblesidepc.org.uk for further details.

HAWKSHEAD MARKET HALL: CARETAKER

The Trustees of the Market Hall are looking for someone local to assist in a caretaker role for Hawkshead Market Hall. The role requires someone to visit the hall for a minimum of three hours a week and carry out inspections of the premises and any minor repairs such as replacing door handles etc.

The caretaker will not be expected to fulfil any electrical or gas works that require specialist qualifications.

The caretaker will be expected to report any defects or repairs to the Trustees for action and escalation to the relevant specialist.

The caretaker will be remunerated for their time and any additional hours over the three hours per week @ 12 hours a month.

Any person who would like to discuss the caretaker role should contact Mary Alston on mary.alston101@gmail.com

JOHN RUSKIN SCHOOL, CONISTON

John Ruskin School, Coniston is looking for Invigilators, Readers & Scribes to assist with mock exams in November and March, and GCSE exams in May and June. **Please contact the Exams Officer on 015394 41306** or admin@jrs.org.uk for a chat about the roles, or download an application form from www.jrs.org.uk. Hourly rate £12 (this rate is SCP2 with a non-contractual pay supplement increasing the pay grade to UK living wage of £12). Full induction and training will be given. Good literacy and numeracy required, plus Enhanced DBS and other pre-recruitment checks to meet Safeguarding requirements. By taking on these roles, you will support our students during their exams. We look forward to welcoming you.

Steph Bennett, John Ruskin School

HAWKSHEAD and OUTGATE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

As the daffodils are blooming, we look forward to Spring and hope for a lovely Summer to come. We are pleased to announce another month of fun and interesting activities:

- **Tuesday, 12 March at 1.30 pm – 3 pm:** Hanne Crank felting craft at Wordsworth House Hawkshead.
- **Monday, 25 March at 1.30 pm – 3 pm:** High Loanthwaite Farm Lambing with Rachel.

All WI meetings take place in Hawkshead Market Hall **unless stated otherwise**. If you are not a member and are interested in joining our WI or just coming along to a meeting to give it a try, contact Joanne Heather at hawksheadoutgatewi@gmail.com. Ladies welcome at any meeting; visitor fee £3.

ECO TIPS

Celebrate Spring. Immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of the season – breathe in the fragrance of blossoms, observe budding catkins, note different bird songs, spot footprints, or use the Pl@ntNet app to identify spring flowers. Nature can boost our happiness, so spend time in your garden, on your balcony, and in local green spaces. Dedicate quality time to appreciate creation's beauty, and thank God for the hope that spring can bring.

WILFIN BECK WATER QUALITY MONITORING

We are seeking volunteers to help sample Wilfin Beck for a trial monitoring programme run through the Windermere Community Partnership.

A team of 2 will visit 6 sites along the beck, including above and below the Far Sawrey Wastewater Treatment Works. Samples will be taken at each site and analysed by volunteers, with the assistance of South Cumbria Rivers Trust. The programme will take place for one year, to gather baseline data, building on preliminary data gathered by Lancaster University and the Big Windermere Survey. A reasonable level of fitness is required, and training will be provided. Monthly sampling will be carried out but how often volunteers are asked to sample will depend on the numbers and individual availability. Further volunteer opportunities may follow.

If you are interested in lending your support, to help better understand water quality variances along Wilfin Beck, **contact Anne Brodie (015394 44720/ annebrodie@hotmail.com)**

CITIZENS ADVICE: TOP TIPS TO HELP YOU SHOP SAFELY

Citizens Advice is finding that people are losing time and money trying to deal with consumer problems. Here are some tips:

- **Delivery problems:** It's the seller's responsibility to make sure the item is delivered to the address given. Contact them directly. If they claim they've delivered it or don't know where it is, you can ask for a re-delivery, or possibly a refund.
- **Defective goods:** You have legal rights to a refund, repair or replacement if the item you bought is broken or damaged, unusable, or not what was advertised.
- **What if I change my mind?** If you buy in store, you don't have a legal right to return goods if you've simply changed your mind. If you buy online, you usually get a cooling-off period, but there are some exemptions – check first.

- **Pay safe:** Pay by card so you have another form of protection. Be cautious if you're asked to pay in an unusual way, such as in iTunes vouchers, as this could be the sign of a scam.
- **Making a return:** Get proof of your return - a receipt from a shop or proof of postage, and tracking where possible. Check that the service you use covers the value of the goods.

Free, confidential advice and help is available from South Lakes Citizens Advice on any aspect of debt, consumer problems, benefits, housing, employment or any other problems. South Lakes Citizens Advice, your local charity, is here for you. How to access:

- Call 015394 46464 – number staffed from 9.30 am – 2 pm
- Adviceline: 0808 2787 984
- Email advice via our submission page on our website
www.southlakescab.org.uk
- Help to Claim (Universal Support): 0800 144 8 444

Any comments, articles or queries for *The Link* should be emailed to:
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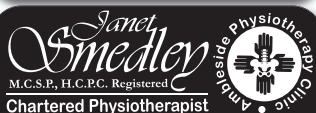
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