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FROM THE SEATALLAN PARISH REGISTERS Occasional Offices conducted between the 14th August 2024 and the 6th September 2024

BECKERMET

21st Aug Burial Kim Thompson Iron Bridge

CALDER BRIDGE, PONSONBY and OLD CHURCH

No Occasional Offices known

SEASCALE

21st Aug Funeral Kim Thompson Seascale

GOSFORTH, NETHER WASDALE and WASDALE HEAD

18th August	Baptism	Sophia Grace Moore	Gosforth
20th August	Funeral and Burial	Charles Wightman	Gosforth
28th August	Funeral and Burial	David Walker	Gosforth
3rd Sept	Funeral and Burial	Elsie Thompson	Gosforth

WE MUSTN'T FORGET...

Do you remember the school assembly song 'Autumn Days'? We sang it every autumn when I was at primary school, and it is one of those which has stuck in my mind.

Autumn days when the grass is jewelled And the silk inside a chestnut shell Jet planes meeting in the air to be refuelled All these things I love so well...

It continues on vividly painting a picture of autumn and the wonders which the season brings, not just what you can see, but what you can smell and taste and touch and hear too. But it is the words of the chorus, repeated between each verse, which are so simple and easily skipped over, yet so significant.

So I mustn't forget No I mustn't forget To say a great big thank you I mustn't forget

They remind us that we must not forget to say thank you. Thank you to God for the wonderful world in which we live. Thank you to God for the amazing changes which the seasons bring. Thank you to God for the beauty of his creation. His, not ours, but ours to steward, to care for, to enable to flourish. I wonder how often we do forget, forget not just to say thank you to God, but to play our part in taking care of this world as well.

We have only to look around us and see how our world is changing, how creation is struggling – the more extremes in weather, the seasons not quite as we would expect, the decline in wildlife and loss of biodiversity, the melting sea ice – the list could go on...

In the Church of England, one of our five Marks of Mission is 'To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.' In short, it is to TREASURE God's creation, enabling the flourishing of all life on earth for today and for the years to come. What ways are we doing this? What ways might we do better as a world, as a nation, as a community, as a church, as families and households, as individuals?

Harvest time is a time when the Church has traditionally held services of thanksgiving. Thanking God for his provision and his blessing on us. The harvest does not always yield what was hoped and prayed for, so the Church also collects food for those in need at this time. In the world we have more than enough food to feed everyone, but we do not share it efficiently or fairly. We are to lament our part in this and commit to act in ways which can help improve this injustice. Again, this is part of our taking care of this world – those in this world, those who are part of God's creation with us.

So this autumn, this harvest time, we mustn't forget to say a great big thank you to God for the wonders of his creation in which we have the privilege to live and to care for, and let's commit to treasuring it all the more this coming year so that it can flourish for many years to come.

Rachel



SOUTH CALDER MISSION COMMUNITY PRAYERS

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Gosforth Parish Church Management Committee

The last meeting of the Management Committee was held on 30th July 2024.

Work on improvements to St. Mary's Room are under way with the removal of the archway and some of the glass panels. The remaining panels will be removed in due course. The walls will be made good as soon as possible. Once this work has been completed the projector will be replaced. Also, funding has been received from GDF for improving the audio/visual equipment in church. We look forward to seeing this installed as soon as is practical.

The Committee arranged for the Boon Day to take place this year on 31st August. We would like to thank all those who have helped with the maintenance and upkeep of the Church building and Churchyard during the past year.

There will be a fundraising BBQ and raffle at the Rectory to which you are all warmly invited. This will take place on Saturday 14th September from 4pm until 7pm. We will be providing food in the form of burgers, sausages, rolls, salads and desserts at a cost of £7 per person. Please bring your own drinks and garden chairs.

The next meeting of the Management Committee is to be held on Tuesday 12th November at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Room.

Susan Round (Clerk to Committee)

(NB This report should have been in the last issue of the magazine but somehow was missed out!)







OCTOBER 2024

GOSFORTH MOTHERS' UNION

This month's meeting is on Monday 21st October when we meet at 2.00pm in Seascale Methodist Room for a talk by Jonathan Falkner about the writing of his book An Affinity of Place. Those wanting transport from Gosforth please contact Norma on 019467 25366 or Mary on 019467 27641.

PRAYER TOPICS -

October Prayer: Let us not turn from the world, but be engaged within it. Where there is injustice let us strive for equality and dignity. May our actions be based upon Gospel values, our motives be to serve God alone, and through him to transform this world. Amen

Please pray for:

- The MU members and associates in the Dioceses in Zone B Canada (600); South America (4,685); USA (500); and West Indies (8,861) that they may enjoy Christian Fellowship within the Mothers' Union.
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families. Foodbanks and the volunteers who work in them. The local food bank in Egremont.

- People who live simply that others may simply live. People who are aware that the choices made when they shop affect the lives of others.
- At this harvest time the farmers, nurserymen and fisherman who provide our food even when the weather is against them.

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COFFEE, CAKE & CHAT (The Three C's) - 10.30-12 noon

This month it will be held on Thursday 3rd October. Do come along for a chat and enjoy some lovely home baking.

Admission is free but a donation to our chosen charity is always welcome. This month's donation will go towards the Bishop's Harvest Appeal (see page 4).

St Olafs, Wasdale Head faith in the fells

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OCTOBER SERVICES at St Olaf's:

Sunday 13th October - 11am Morning Praise.

Sunday 22nd October - 11am Celtic Praise.

Services at Nether Wasdale Church are at 9.30am on 1st & 3rd Sundays monthly.

MORE VISITORS – in the first 8 months of this year St Olaf's welcomed 21,900 visitors and pilgrims, an increase of 8% on the same period in 2023.

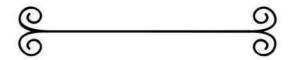
ST OLAF'S WAYS – five of us from St Olaf's have just returned from a two-day workshop at Norwich Cathedral, to learn how we might capitalise in the UK by joining St Olav Ways, a Cultural Route of the Council of Europe. St Olav Ways is part of their programme of developing transnational networks focused on cultural and heritage connections. Established in 2010, focussing on pilgrim ways to St Olav's Cathedral in Trondheim, Norway, St Olav Ways is a highly successful network of routes through Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Estonia and Norway which pilgrims can take, ranging from short one-day trips to journeys lasting several weeks. The workshop was sponsored by Norfolk County Council, Norwich Cathedral and St Olav's Ways, Norway. 45 delegates attended.

Collectively, the UK's heritage relating to St Olaf (alternative spellings: Olav, Olave) would represent an important addition to this trans-national cultural route, bringing benefits in terms of increasing international tourism, creating opportunities for cultural and educational exchanges, access to funding, and forging business and hospitality partnerships

along the pilgrim routes.

There are 14 St Olaf's churches in the UK, from Cornwall to Shetland, and many more with links to St Olaf and Viking heritage, St Mary's Gosforth and St Paul's Irton among them. It is an ecumenical list embracing at least four branches of the Christian family. We see this as a great opportunity for growth and mission.

Pilgrimage is not confined to faith. Some 9% of the population take part in pilgrimages, because they enjoy open spaces, nature, sites of historical and cultural interest, or following bereavement, healing or to pray for loved ones.



BECKERMET MUSIC FESTIVAL - Saturday 19th October 2024

A music festival will be held in Beckermet Campsite Field from midday to 11:00pm.

Profits are to fund local causes and in particular, the repair and refurbishment works needed for St. John's Church.

There will be a number of bands and performers throughout the day, along with catering stalls, a bar and raffle. The entertainment will be held in a marquee, out of the weather.

For tickets, please contact Ben Whiteley on 07752 833488.

I hope you can come along and enjoy the day, whilst helping to raise some money for the upkeep of our village church.

Thank you Ben Whiteley



GOSFORTH METHODIST CONGREGATION NEWS

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Services in October:

6th October – Evening Worship in St Mary's Room at 6.30pm

20th October – All-Age Worship in St Mary's Room at 6.30 pm

Well, the summer is almost over and a new 'term' starts. Gosforth Methodist Community will be entering their 3rd year. When we took that leap of faith two years ago none of us knew how things would turn out. I'm sure Jill and Keith must have held their breath and prayed that it was the right thing to do. We have seen our congregation grow from a handful of regulars to over at least 15 regulars. Often we have over 36 worshippers.

Our services are always inspiring, meaningful and uplifting. No question from the congregation goes unanswered, and you can always guarantee that there will be a question or two.

If you are looking for a service that you can quite literally join in, then come along to St Mary's Room for 6.30pm on either the first or third Sunday of the month.

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Lynn Pattison



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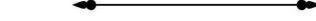
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THE LOCAL FOODBANK

Just a reminder to everyone that the local Foodbank (ours is Egremont) is still very much in need of our support. There are collection boxes at the back of most of our churches and the food collected is taken regularly to Egremont Methodist Church, where the Foodbank is based.

Just so you know, Christine McKinley will collect the items from Nether Wasdale and Gosforth churches on the 3rd Friday of each month, so it would be good if we could all try and put something in the box each month before that date! If you need to contact her for any reason her number is 01946 726267.



Gosforth Show 2024 - Handicrafts

The Handicrafts tent at this year's Show was a great success. The bird box class had to be split into two sections as there were so many entries, and they were all wonderfully colourful and inventive.

The children's classes had rosettes as well as prizes which were very popular (rosettes very kindly supplied by the Mid Copeland Community Partnership). It was great to see so many clever and thoughtful exhibits, from animals made from food to recycled models.

Outstanding examples of sewing, knitting and other crafts from the adults were all one display, and judging the Best in Show must have been a hard task.

Next year is the 150th Gosforth Show – don't miss it. It will be the best yet!



Beckermet Community News

As I put pen to paper or more accurately fingertips to the keyboard our summer has been & gone, not that we had much of one and no doubt we all feel the same in that it has been one of the worst for wind and rain that most of us can ever remember. As we enter autumn, we really begin to see the days shortening and the nights growing even longer. The gardens have passed their best and many of the trees begin to get ready for their winter sleep along with certain animals in nature. This part of the year can be a magical time with the wonderful autumnal colours that magically appear and brighten up our countryside.

Like some animals there are some people who wished they could do the same and hibernate through the long cold winter months. However just because the days are getting shorter it doesn't mean we can't still enjoy life to the full. To slightly alter a well-known quote, "It's not the length of the daylight in your life that counts, it's the life you live in the daylight." With this in mind it is important that we continue to fill our days with as much activity as possible whether that is visiting family and friends or going for walks or socialising with other like-minded people within our communities. All such activities are important both for our physical and our mental well-being as the next few months can become difficult for many. Over the coming weeks and months our seasons will be changing but activities within our communities will still continue regardless, especially in our church and Reading Rooms.

Our Coffee Cake & Chat sessions still continue every Tuesday morning from 9.30-11.30am and again on Thursday afternoons from 1.30-3.30pm in the village Reading Rooms. This is a great opportunity to get out and meet up with regular members of the village as well as meeting new individuals who may attend only occasionally or even rarely during the year. The facilities are excellent, warm and comfortable where there is always a warm friendly welcome whether as a regular or as a one off. There is a wide variety of teas available as well as several types of coffee as well as numerous cakes and biscuits. There is no charge for drinks our cakes/biscuits but a small donation is gratefully accepted should you wish to make one.

Each month even through the autumn and winter we continue to have our Quiz & Bingo Nights, again in the Reading Rooms both from 6.30-8.30pm. The next quiz will be on Fri 4th Oct with two bingo evenings one on Fri 11th and the second on Fri 18th October. We are having two bingo sessions in October as we were unable to have one in September. On the evening of the 4th Oct starting at 6pm prior to the start of the quiz the three youngsters who were financially supported by the village lottery will be each giving a short presentation about their trips and experiences. Please come along and listen to them explain what they did and the impact it had on them and then stay on and join in the quiz.

The village lottery which started last October has proved to be very successful with 158 members in its first year. The income from this new venture provided around £1,900 in prizes and a similar amount donated to worthy causes in the village. Membership is via a single payment of £25 for the whole year and is being collected again to start with the first draw in our second year in October. If you would like to join in then please contact me. You can join in at any stage of the year with a pro rata subscription.

On the third Wednesday of the month starting again on Sept 18th, then Oct 16th & Nov 20th in the Reading Rooms Soup Lunches will be organised by a small band of hard-working volunteers. For a charge of only £6 you can choose from usually four types of soup followed by a wide variety of delicious home-made cakes plus as much tea/coffee you can drink. If you have not yet been before then it is well worth a visit

with all profits in aid St John's our local village church.

Numerous other events and activities take place including an open mic night on the second Wednesday of the month from 8-10pm with bar available. With the installation of the additional defibrillator just outside the Reading Rooms, training sessions in CPR and how to use the defibrillator have started. A weekly youth club also meet every Thursday evening from 6-8pm when they have lots of different activities for youngsters to enjoy. In addition to this, regular band nights are organised in the Reading Rooms for a great social evening whilst raising funds to cover the annual costs of running the Reading Rooms.

On Wednesday 2nd October from 10am-12noon there will be a Special Coffee Morning to raise funds for Macmillan. Please put this important date in your diary as we would love to see you there helping us to raise the funds to assist them in their work of supporting people living with cancer.

Please remember that none of the activities undertaken in the village would be possible if it were not for the small number of volunteers who give up their time and energy week in and week out to ensure that as many activities/opportunities are possible for the rest of the villagers to participate in and enjoy. The best way to thank them is by supporting the activities/events put on as they then feel their time and effort has been appreciated. We eagerly await the outcome of the village entry into Cumbria in Bloom which should be known on the 14th October.

Further details about all these events and activities plus others can be found on the Reading Rooms and Village Facebook pages so if you are not a member then I strongly suggest you join so that you are kept up to date with all the various events organised.

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Wasdale Head Shepherd's Meet and Show Saturday 12th October 2024 (from 10 am)



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A great family day out!

NEWS FROM GADS - GOSFORTH AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY

We will be auditioning soon for our next two main shows – our Autumn Play and our January Pantomime.



"Sheila's Island" (our Autumn Play) is a dark comedy exploring the fractured relationship between 4 women on a disastrous team

building event. It is written by Tim Firth, author of Calendar Girls and Kinky Boots. Sheila's Island is a comedy with mature themes which will be explored through rehearsals. The production will be directed by Benita Blacklock (who directed our last award-winning production 'Lucky Sods' back in 2019), assisted by Andy Williams. Auditions for the 4 adult ladies (Sheila, Julie, Denise and Fay) will take place at 7:30pm on Thursday 4th and Thursday 9th July in the Supper Room at the Gosforth Public Hall. The performances will take place on Thursday 17th to Saturday 19th October at 7pm. Character descriptions, a synopsis and audition pieces can be found on our website.



Our January pantomime will be "The Pied Piper" by Alan Frayn. It may be one of the lesser known pantos but this one is a real winner, so you can get ready for some real ratty fun (but no animals will

be harmed in any of the rehearsals or performances). Performances will be on the evenings of Wednesday January 22nd to Saturday 25th, with a matinee on the Saturday afternoon. If you would like to get involved, the auditions are on Wednesday 11th and Monday 16th September – both at 7:30pm at the Hall. The first date will be for adult and teenaged parts and the second for all ensemble parts and children. More information will appear on our website nearer the time.

If you would like to be involved in either production but not on the stage please also get in touch – we always appreciate more help back stage and front of house, especially in the practical and technical areas. To keep up to date, you can visit our new website (gads.org.uk), follow us on Facebook or join our mailing list. You can contact us for more information using our new email address: gadsgosforth@gmail.com

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Cycling	019467 25831 - 1st Monday morning monthly – meet in Gosforth
Tai Chi	Monday mornings weekly at 11.30 – Gosforth Public Hall
Chair based exercises	Monday afternoons weekly – Gosforth Public Hall (we hope to have a new teacher by the end of October)
Folk Dancing	Friday afternoons weekly at 2 pm – Gosforth Public Hall
Ukelele	1st and 3rd Tuesday mornings – house group
French conversation	Wednesday mornings weekly – currently full
History	1st Weds morning monthly, 10.15 for 10.45 am Drigg Village Hall
Foundation recorder	1st Thurs and 3rd Weds monthly – Santon Bridge Village Hall
Singing for Fun	1st Thursday afternoon monthly – Seascale Methodist Church
Stroll	2nd Monday afternoon monthly
Discussion	2 nd Tuesday morning monthly – house group
Art Appreciation	2 nd Thursday morning monthly – St Joseph's Seascale
Advanced Recorder Consort	2 nd and 4 th Thursday afternoons – Santon Bridge Village Hall
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Family History	3rd Thursday morning monthly – Santon Bridge Village Hall
IT Drop-In	Wednesdays fortnightly – 4pm - 5pm – Gosforth Library – check website for dates
Open Mind	3rd Thurs morning monthly – Gosforth Public Hall
Chatty Lunch	3rd Thurs morning to follow Open Mind – Gosforth Public Hall
Discovery	4th Tuesday afternoon monthly – St Mary's Room, Gosforth
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GOSFORTH SCHOOL NEWS



Mrs S Layzell Assistant Headteacher

School reopened early September and we welcomed twelve new starters. The day didn't go exactly to plan as at 2pm we had quite a large water leak which flooded the main corridor. This meant we had to close early! All was fixed quickly and we all returned the day after

The new class have settled in really well - they joined us in the hall for collective worship the first week back.

With the help of Wasdale May Festival Committee, school now have their very own indoor maypole. Staff tested it out on Inset day and we plan to have regular sessions with the children, so some of them can show off their skills next May.

Work has begun to remove the rotting decking which our Reception class use as their outdoor area. We are hoping to have the new decking finished before half term so the children can get to start learning in the outdoors.



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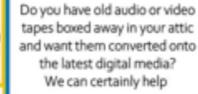
















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GOSFORTH WI

A busy month in September – a County Trustee as speaker discussing the important topic of Safeguarding, followed by a tasty buffet supper. A table of exhibits displayed all the handicraft items entered by the Gosforth WI into Gosforth Show 2024 as shown in the picture above - a very talented group of ladies. Gosforth WI is already looking forward to next year's 150th Show.

A crafting session was held on 19th September 2024 run by one of our members who is preparing an Art Installation at Florence Mine in support of clean rivers. You can visit the exhibition from 27th October to 22nd December 2024.

The October meeting will take place at 7.15 pm in Gosforth Public Hall on 1st October 2024. Our speaker will be John McKay with a continuation of his droll reminiscences of life as a Headteacher. The competition is My School Photo. Not to be missed!



As usual there will be refreshments served and visitors are always welcome.

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SAINT FOR OCTOBER – Anthony Ashley Cooper

Anthony Ashley Cooper, the 7th Earl of Shaftesbury, is remembered in Common Worship on the 1st of October.

He is not technically a Saint, just a person who is an example to us. He is described as a 'social reformer', which hardly does him justice. In the Victorian period there were many social problems, ranging from the treatment of what were then called 'lunatics' and the asylums they were kept in, to the use of children in cotton and woollen mills and as chimney sweeps.

Cooper was, as a committed Christian, highly involved in improvements to asylums and in restricting the use of children, both in their places of work and the hours of that work. He died in 1885, and it is right that he should be remembered.



BECKERMET SCHOOL NEWS

The children at Beckermet School had an exciting start to the new school year with lots of lovely new play equipment in the playground and an astro-turf pitch too! We have also had three new members of staff join the team who are settling in really well!

This Friday, we are celebrating International Day of Peace. We have some lovely activities planned including a beautiful prayer station for the children to visit during the day, creating pinwheels for peace for our school garden and looking at how peace and Christianity are celebrated in other countries too.

Next week we welcome the new Reception children to school with our Welcome Service lead by the children in Y6. This takes place in St.John's Church, Beckermet on Weds 25th Sept at 1.45pm...all welcome!

After that is the Macmillan Coffee afternoon on Friday 27th Sept...a chance for parents, carers and grandparents to share lovely cakes and activities with the children. We have lots of other exciting things planned up to...dare I say it...Christmas but we'll keep you posted!

Sue Alderson



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GOSFORTH AND NETHER WASDALE HARVEST FESTIVALS

Beckermet, Ponsonby and Seascale celebrated their Harvest Festivals in September but Gosforth and Nether Wasdale are celebrating theirs on Sunday 6th October.

Nether Wasdale's service will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 9.30am and donations of food for the local Foodbank at this service will be most welcome.

Gosforth will be decorating their church for the Harvest services on Wednesday 2nd October, ready for the School Harvest Service at 9.30am on the Friday morning. Do come and help if you can – everyone welcome! There will be refreshments for helpers as usual. Any donations of flowers or greenery would be gratefully received and can be left at the back of church beforehand or dropped off on the morning. The Harvest Service on Sunday 6th will be led by our Lay Team along with 'Fishingstone' at 11.00am. Once again, we hope people will bring along donations of food for the Foodbank.

To help, here is a reminder of suitable items:

UHT Fruit juice and UHT Milk (full fat or semi skimmed) in cartons.

Breakfast cereals, Tea, Coffee, Jam, Biscuits

Tinned goods: Soups, Beans, Carrots, Peas, Sweetcorn, Tomatoes, Spaghetti, Ravioli, Macaroni cheese, Hot dogs, Chicken, Meat balls, Tuna, Rice pudding, Custard, Fruit, Sponge pudddings.

Dried rice and pasta, pasta sauces, instant mashed potato.

At the Gosforth Service there will also be an opportunity to make a donation to the Bishop of Carlisle's Harvest Appeal to support families in Northern Argentina and Burkina Faso (North West Africa). Full details of this can be found on page 4.

Donations can also be made online.

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Many thanks to Karen Warmoth who has helped me put together this October magazine. Michiko is on holiday in Japan this month so Karen very kindly agreed to arrange the pages into magazine format for me and helped with the printing – something beyond my capability! Norma

Front cover photo: Apples by Karen Warmoth



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GOSFORTH LIBRARY

Opening hours as follows: Saturday: 10.00 – 12.00 hrs. Monday: 13.00 – 14.30 hrs. Wednesday: 16.00 – 17.30 hrs.



The library is looking for more volunteers to continue with this village service. You do not need any library skills to be a volunteer and there will always be two on duty. It does not involve a lot of your time – anything from a 2-hour session once a month, or once a week. If you are able to help, drop into the library and have a chat with the volunteers on duty.

GOSFORTH INDOOR MAT BOWLING CLUB

The Club meets every Wednesday afternoon from 2-4pm in Gosforth Public Hall. £3.50 per session, including refreshments. Please bring clean flat shoes to protect the mats.

Spare bowls available for you to try.

MUNCASTER MICROBUS

We urgently need volunteer drivers to help us run our service.

To volunteer as a driver or to book any journeys,

ring Gill on: 01229-717229.

The Microbus can get you there despite dwindling bus services.

Our AGM is on the 9th Oct at 7:30pm in the Holmrook Reading Room. All welcome, even if you just want to find out more about what we do.

Trips coming up are:

Whitehaven shopping trips every Tuesday and Thursday – FREE if you have a NoWcard bus pass.

Saturday, 5th October – Barrow - £9

Friday, 18th October – Egremont Farmers' Market

(£3 donation to the Market)

Saturday, 26th October – Penrith - £10.50

Saturday, 9th October – Windermere / Ambleside – £10.50

Saturday, 26th October – Barrow - £9

HOLMROOK READING ROOM

Table Tennis Club: Meets on a Wednesday - 6:00pm to 7:30pm. All welcome, young or old. Contact David on 07931-393954. Other times can be arranged.

Playground: Come and see for yourself – A lovely playground in a great setting.

Wild Flower Meadow: Enjoy a walk or just sit and relax in the peace and quiet of the meadow. Supervised children are welcome.

Fishing Club: If you want to join this club it's only £11/year. If you want some more information, please contact David on 07931-393954.

Bookings: The Reading Room has a fully equipped kitchen, facilities for people with disability, in fact everything you would need for a great party. £8 / hour. Why not call David on 07931-393954 to see if it is available for your next event?

Membership: Membership renewals for 2024 are due from 1st March. £7 for annual membership and £4 to join a club.

These can be renewed/started any time. If you are an existing member or want to join us contact David on drmarsden@outlook.com or 07931-393954.



Golden Wedding Thanks

We would like to thank all those who sent cards etc. on the occasion of our Golden Wedding (7 September). Thanks too to all those who joined us in St Mary's Room on the Sunday afternoon for Tea and Cakes, and for donations to Christian Aid totalling £100.

We were married on a very wet and windy Saturday in St Cuthbert's Church, Seascale, by the Revered Alan Postlethwaite – a marked contrast to the lovely weekend weather this year!

Sheila and Jonathan Falkner

SERVICES IN THE SOUTH CALDER MISSION COMMUNITY

Some Gosforth services and Phoenix services are being 'zoomed' each week. There is also a weekly liturgy available by email each Sunday.

NB. PLEASE CHECK LOCAL NOTICES FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE SERVICE INFORMATION

ZOOMED SERVICES

11.00am Service of Holy Communion or Morning Worship hosted by St Mary's Church am. If you would like an invitation to this service please email stmarys.gosforth.zoom@gmail.com

Thursdays at 9.30am South Calder Mission Community Morning Prayer. For an invitation please contact David Davies – divord4@gmail.com

SUNDAY EVENINGS

1st and 3rd Sunday of Month: St Mary's Room, Gosforth

1st Sunday – Informal Worship at 6.30 pm – Songs/hymns, readings, short talk, discussion and fellowship (with occasional Holy Communion)
3rd Sunday – All-age worship at 6.30 pm – Especially suited to and often led by children + young people (and the young in heart).

Occasionally special events and circumstances may lead to changes in the regular programme.

2nd Sunday of the Month: Faith and Fellowship - 7.00pm at the The Ferns, The Banks in Seascale. Hosted by Chris and Joy Chuter. Please ring Chris on 07768 421621 for details or email free.c@outlook.com

4th Sunday of the Month: 7.00pm Phoenix Praise Informal Evening Worship

St Mary's Room Gosforth. Led by Jill and Keith Hudson. Songs/hymns, readings, short talk, discussion and fellowship followed by refreshments. For more information please email jillhudson@hotmail.co.uk and for a Zoom invitation email khudson@freenetname.co.uk or ring 01946 721592 or visit www.phoenixpraise.org.uk

SUNDAY WRITTEN LITURGY FOR THOSE AT HOME – Into His Courts with Praise

Compiled and distributed by Brian and Helen Pateman. This weekly liturgy can be read on your PC screen or printed off week by week for use at home in a text size to suit you. If you would like to be added to the mailing list, please contact Helen Pateman: aitchpateman@gmail.com

SOUTH CALDER MISSION COMMUNITY - OCTOBER 2024

October	Church	Service	Time
I" Sunday			
E th Oxtober	Nether Woodale	HC - Harverit	9.30
Trimity 19	WaterSharatte	MP - Waterthwaite	9.30
GREEN	Seasole	MP at St Cuthbort's	9.30
Proper 22	Gosforth	Morning Praise for Harvest	11.00
	Dries	HC.	11.00
	Dubdale Boot	HC : Havest	11.00
	Muncaster	MP - Harvest	11.00
	Whicharm	HC	11.00
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	Gosforth St Mary's Room	Methodal Dening Worship	6.30
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Proger 23	Gosforth	HC.	11.00
	Washie Feed	Morning Praise	11.00
	Dries	Family-Service for Harvest	11.00
	Existaile Boot	HC.	11.00
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	Bootle	Evening Service	6.00
	Gosforth St Mary's Room	All-lige Methodist Evening Worship	6.30
E" Sunday			
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Last after Trinity	Beckernet	HC	1.10
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Proper	Seascale	Methodist (BMch	9.30
	Gosforth	HC	11.00
	Wardsie Neud	Celtic Praise	11.00
	Dries	HC	11.00
	Mon	HC	11.00
	Bootle	HC	11.00