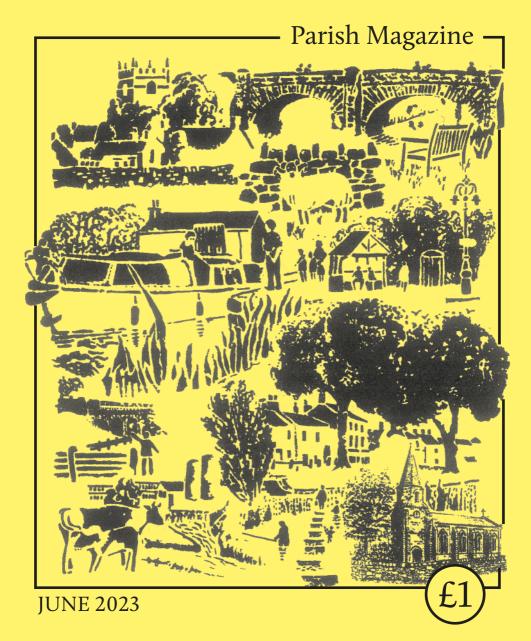
# GARGRAVE & CONISTON COLD



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Rainbows (5+) - Tue 5-6pm, Gargrave Primary School

**Brownies** (7+) – Tue 6.15-7.30pm, Primary School, malhamdalebrownies@gmail.com

Guides (10+) - Tue 7.30-9pm, Primary School, gargraveguides@gmail.com

Young Farmers Club - Coniston Cold. Tues 7.30pm. Sarah Hargreaves. 01729 830123

**Lunch Club,** Neville Crescent Community Centre, 2nd Wed each month, 12.30, Carol 748990

Bowls - outdoor, Mar to Oct, Gargrave Bowling Club, Martyn Cox, 07745 018 459

**Bowls – indoor**, Oct to Mar, Tues & Thurs 2-4pm, Joan Griffin, 749277

Cricket - Gargrave Cricket Club, Mark Jones, 07498 288654

 $\textbf{Cycling - Gargrave Tuesday Club,} \ Dalesman, \ Tues \ and \ Thurs \ Trevor \ Pickles \ 01282 \ 844788$ 

Golf - Mason's Arms Golf Society, 749304

**Hunt** – Pendle Forest & Craven Hunt, Tony Holmes, 748200

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Tai Chi & Qigong – Village Hall, Wed 1pm. Ian Cresswell. See

https://gargravevillagehall.org.uk

**Tai Chi Qigong** – Green by War Memorial, Wed and Thurs 9.30am, Zoom Mon 9am, Zoom Fri 9am (with **Pilates**), Bee Faulkner, 07778 90994, www.beeactivebeerelaxed.com **Gentle Hatha yoga** – See https://gargravevillagehall.org.uk

**Art - Gargrave Art Group -** Village Hall, Mon 1pm-3.30pm, Bev Parker 749910 **Bell Ringing -** St Andrew's, Mon 7.30pm, Sun 10.00am, Ali Lucas, 07921 970961 **Handbell Ringers -** St Andrew's, Wed 2 - 4pm (not all Weds; phone to check). Cynthia Hardyman 748839

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**Gargrave Community Library** – email admin@gargravelibrary.co.uk, Patsy Simpson 749489. Opening hours: Mon, 3pm-5pm; Tues, 10am-12pm; Weds, 2pm-4pm; Thurs, closed; Fri, 2pm-4pm; Sat, 10am-12pm; Sun, closed.

Craft and Chat – St Andrew's, Tues 2pm, Sylvia Humphreys 748779

Parish Council Meeting – Village Hall side room, 1st Wednesday of the month

Snooker Club – Village Hall Snooker Annex, every day, Stewart Smith 749340

Gargrave 22 Group – Village Hall, 2nd Wed in month, 7 for 7.30pm, Glenys Riley 07715

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"Sycamore seedlings", see p.31. Photo courtesy of Gargrave Wildlife Working Group.

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#### **COLLARED!**

Revd Andrew Steer

#### **Thy Kingdom Come**

A new Kingdom! Now that King Charles and Queen Camilla have taken the throne of our country and the Commonwealth, we might wonder what changes a new Kingdom will bring? In years gone by a new monarch would often bring in radical new changes to the way their people were governed—new laws, new ways of thinking, and new challenges. Whether it be taxing the life out of their subjects, murdering their spouses, or plotting and scheming against their political and religious enemies, many monarchs brought misery with their new reign.

Thankfully, our new King is extremely unlikely to try to bring such radical changes, thanks to the way our country is governed through our democratic system. Having said that, we can expect to see a different emphasis in King Charles' reign than that of his mother, Queen Elizabeth—perhaps a greater focus on environmental and social justice issues, and possibly a wider respect for other faiths as suggested by the controversial title 'defender of faith' rather than 'defender of THE faith'. There may even be a greater appreciation of diversity and equality to more accurately reflect 21st century Britain.

Think for a moment what life might be like under the best King—the King of Heaven—King Jesus. We can all probably imagine what rules and changes Jesus would introduce—there would be no wars or fighting—justice would be absolute. Peace would reign—no wars, shootings, stabbings or fighting and no need for police or armed forces or weapons. There would be no poverty or homelessness, no lack of healthcare or food for people in developing countries. Perhaps there would be no such thing as 'developing countries' with all countries having good public services and infrastructure. The act of serving others would be given the highest honour.

Every single person would feel respected and cared for by their family and their community—no more loneliness or broken families. There would be no more divorce or separation, no more broken marriages. Imagine a world without crime—no burglaries or frauds to deal with, no murders, stabbings, assaults, or gang crime. It would be safe to walk city streets at night. No more lives lost to addiction, drugs, alcohol, or gambling. Imagine the created world flourishing without pollution, plastic or toxins and every single species flourishing side by side.

The possibilities are endless, bound only by our own imagination, but here's the thing. All of this can start right now in our own little kingdom—our own sphere of influence. When we pray 'Thy Kingdom Come' we're not just longing for a better world, but we sign up to make that Kingdom come now in our own lives. By making the right choices in our day to day lives we are starting to build God's Kingdom today. When we treat people with kindness and fairness, we begin a new

work. When we show generosity and hospitality to strangers, neighbours, and friends, we build that kingdom brick by brick. When we come to know God as our Father and worship Him for His goodness towards us, we are creating a new world order.

We usually think of 'eternal life' as just living forever, but Theologians suggest that it is much more to do with a certain quality of life, as well as longevity: Jesus said, "I have come that you may have life and have it to the full". Another translation is 'abundant life'—a life in which we are fully human and each of us able to fulfil all our potential as both individuals and as a community.

Imagine a world where all the richness, creativity and potential of humanity is turned away from crime, war, destruction, and injustice and instead that potential is harnessed for the good of everyone. What a kingdom that would be!

As we begin to live life under a new monarch in a new reign and a new kingdom, may we examine our own 'little kingdoms' to see where improvements can be made. By inviting Jesus Christ into our lives, we begin the search for the most abundant of all lives, laying the foundations for the greatest Kingdom ever—the Kingdom of Heaven. In this kingdom we can all find a permanent home, a place where everyone is welcome and where every single person can flourish, using their gifts and talents to the full in the service of God and one another.

As we pray together 'Thy Kingdom Come', may we also work together to make it a reality right now in our own lives.

#### **DIARY FOR JUNE**

#### **Coniston Cold**

Sun 4	Compline evensong, 4pm, Church. Bring and share tea after 4pm Service.
Sun 11	Prayer book Communion, 9.30am, Church.
Sun 18	Compline evensong, 4pm, Church.
Sun 25	Prayer book communion, 9.30am, Church.

#### Gargrave

Fri 2	Coffee morning (every Friday), 10am – 12pm, Neville Crescent Common Room. Coffee and biscuits £1.
Sat 3	Book Fair, 10am – 4pm, Village Hall. Light refreshments until 3pm. 50p admission.
	North Yorkshire Open Studios. For more information see p.6.
	Voices of Craven Concert. For more information see pp.7 and 8.
Sun 4	Breakfast, 10.30am followed by 11am Family service, Church. North Yorkshire Open Studios. For more information see p.6.
Mon 5	Coffee Monday (every Monday), 10.30am – 12pm, Church.
Tues 6	Craft and Chat (every Tuesday), 2pm, Church.
Wed 7	Parish Council meeting, 7.15pm, Village Hall Annexe.
Fri 9	Picnic Supper Dance with live music from Brian Griffin, 7.30pm – 11pm, Village Hall. £6 admission.
Sat 10	North Yorkshire Open Studios. For more information see p.6.
Sun 11	Prayer book communion, 8am, Church.
	Sung Eucharist, 11am, Church.
	Gargrave Village Hall Management Committee Collectables and Craft
	Fair, 9.30am – 4pm, Village Hall. Light refreshments. 50p admission.
	North Yorkshire Open Studios. For more information see p.6.
Wed 14	Gargrave 2022 Group Meeting, 7 – 7.30pm, Gargrave Village Hall.
	Speaker: Tanya Carter of Limestone Books, Settle, shares her Desert
	Island Books. All welcome! £4 for guests, includes light refreshments. For more information see p.9.
Sat 17	Open Gardens. For more information see p.11.
Sat 17	Quirky Container competition. For more information see p.12.
	Settle Orchestra Concert. For more information see p.10.
	Voices of Craven Concert. For more information see pp.7 and 8.
Sun 18	Prayer book communion, 8am, Church.
	Morning Worship, 11am, Church.
	Open Gardens. For more information see p.11.
	Quirky Container competition. For more information see p.12.
Sat 24	Gargrave Village Hall jointly with Gargrave Library Coffee morning, 10am – 12pm prompt, Village Hall. Bacon sandwiches and Homemade
	cakes. Raffle and Book stall. Provisional date, please check the
	Village Hall noticeboard, website and Craven Herald nearer the time or
	call 07989 585564 for confirmation.
	Settle Orchestra Concert. For more information see p.10.
Sun 25	Prayer book communion, 8am, Church.
	Family Worship, 11am, Church.
	Broadway Fairs Flea Market and Collectable Fair, 10am – 3.30pm, Village
	Hall. Refreshments available until 3pm. 50p admission.

#### **EVENTS**

#### Share a Prayer, St Andrew's Church, daily at 9am

Peter Poulter

Each morning at 9am a small group of people meet in St Andrew's to pray for the church and the village. You are welcome to join them. Either come along to church, or maybe just pause for a moment, wherever you are, and share a prayer.

This picture by the French artist Jean-François Millet shows a couple stopping their field work to pray when they hear the Angelus bell from the distant church.

If prayer is not a word you use, then just pause and reflect in your own way hopefully and lovingly for the life we share in our community.



Each month our prayer will focus on a particular part of the parish. In June we will be praying for Church Street, Riverside, Church Lane and over Butter Haw.

# The North Yorkshire Open Studios, 3 – 4 June, and 10 – 11 June

Allison Wiffen

This is a wonderful and unique opportunity to visit artists and crafts people in their studios during the first two weekends in June. With approximately 120 artists taking part across the whole county there is plenty to see including paintings, printmaking, ceramics, textiles, glass and sculpture. Some makers/artists will also be doing demonstrations, plus there is a chance to win a £200 voucher to spend with your favourite 2D or 3D artist by voting for your favourite in each category.

You can see examples of work by each artist on the website together with a map to



plan your trip: <a href="mailto:nyos.org.uk">nyos.org.uk</a> or you can pick up a printed brochure from Allison Wiffen Ceramics in West Street (just over the canal on the left going towards Chew Lane).

Allison will be taking part herself with two other local artists sharing her studio: Sarah Pawson—printmaker, and John Sherwood—painter.

## Music for a Summer Evening, Voices of Craven Concerts, 3 and 17 June

Bryony Lebeter

'It's the circle of life, and it moves us all through despair and hope, through faith and love....'

These are some of the beautiful lyrics which you will hear when you come to the Voices of Craven (VOC) summer concerts. 'The Lion King', presented in a wonderful arrangement by Mark Brymer, will have concert-goers swaying in their seats and, quite probably, singing along. However, the VOC summer season is not all leonine romance, laughing hyenas and windy warthogs!

Our Musical Director, Darren Everhart, has put together a fabulous programme for the choir and its audiences, ranging from the contemporary, through film and folk music and embracing beloved classics like Schubert's 'Mass In G' and Mozart's 'Laudate Dominum'. We have been working hard, and having a lot of fun, in rehearsals and are thrilled to have with us, once again, the stunning international soprano, Sarah Fox, and the marvellous Vine String Quartet. In addition to performing with the choir, both Sarah and The Vine will entertain our audiences with solo items.

Our first concert, on Saturday 3 June, is at Skipton Town Hall. If you have not experienced the Concert Hall yet, it is a superb venue with ample parking close by and, of course, all the amenities of the town to enjoy before and after the concert. For its second performance, on Saturday 17 June, the choir moves location to the elegant and historic church of St Michael the Archangel at Kirkby Malham.

As many of you will realise, the Kirkby Malham concert coincides very happily with the weekend of Gargrave Open Gardens when the village will be full of enthusiastic visitors enjoying not only the gardens, but also the musicians who accompany the event. What could be more wonderful after a day wandering amongst the sights, scents and sounds of our lovely village than to complete this balm for the senses by enjoying an evening concert of beautiful music—a perfect close to the day.

Both VOC concerts were sold out last year, so we do encourage you to put the dates in your diaries and to keep an eye out for our publicity. For further information about VOC and its concerts, you can also visit our website: voicesofcraven.org.

We really look forward to seeing you.



Our guest speaker will be Tanya Carter from Limestone Books in Settle. Inspired by her lifelong love of reading and seeing fantastic independent bookshops in other towns, Tanya opened the shop at the end of September 2019. Tanya will be sharing with us her Desert Island Books. Everyone is invited to bring along a good read they are happy to swap. An inspiring evening with free reading matter on offer!

New members and guests, as always, are very welcome. On the door admission at Gargrave Village Hall of £4 includes light refreshments.  $7.00 \, \text{pm} - 7.30 \, \text{pm}$ .



## Settle Orchestral Society Summer Concerts, 17 and 24 June

Iill Gates

Our Summer concerts will take place in Settle and Skipton as follows:

- Saturday 17 June at 7.30pm, Settle Parish Church
- Saturday 24 June at 7.30pm, Christ Church, Skipton

#### And we will be playing:

- Beethoven Fidelio Overture
- Dvořák Violin Concerto (soloist Anna Tulchinskaya)
- Schubert Symphony No. 8 (Unfinished)
- Dvořák Slavonic Dances Op.72 Nos. 1, 2, 6 & 7

Why not come along to one of them, to enjoy an exhilarating evening, support local musicians and help keep live music alive? Full details of future concerts and contacts are on our website <a href="https://www.settleorchestra.org.uk">www.settleorchestra.org.uk</a>. We look forward to seeing you soon!







# Quirky Container Competition!

Just under a Month Now Until
Open Gardens In Gargrave ...
g Quirky Containers 2023.
For Added Interest, This Year We Have the
Mark Tootill Financial Planning
Challenge Trophy To Compete for Too!

Plant up the Quirkiest Container You Can Find, It Can Be Floral or Foliage, Little or Large, Funny or Fabulous, Whatever You Fancy ... the Only Criteria Is That It Must Be Easily Visible From Outside Your House, for Judging and for Everyone To Admire On the Weekend of 17th § 18th June!

To Enter, Just Let Me Have Your Name and the Address Where Your 'Quirky Container Will Be on Display, So That We Can Create a Trail List.

Either Emai (Lindashartell@Yahoo.Com) Or Pop Your Details Into the Dalesman.



#### **Making Space for Nature**

Villages and parishes - do you want to make space for #Nature?

#### Event: Saturday 1 July, 10am - 2.30pm, Addingham

Environmental campaigning charity Friends of the Dales is offering a unique opportunity for villages, parishes, environment groups and fledgling environment groups to find out practical and replicable ways to create more space for nature.

In collaboration with <u>Addingham Environment Group</u> (AEG), they will showcase AEG's journey from inception to current times, along with information



about its aims for the future and successes and challenges along the way. There will also be an opportunity to join one of two guided walks through Addingham village to see the nature-positive actions taken to improve and increase habitats, support clean water and increase biodiversity.

There will be an opportunity for ideas-sharing and discussion over a light, complimentary lunch. Event

timed to coincide with public transport from Keighley, Skipton and Ilkley.

Places limited to two people per village/parish/group. To take part in this FREE event please email: victoria.benn@friendsofthedales.org.uk

www.friendsofthedales.org.uk



# Art in the Dale 2023 – St Michael the Archangel, Kirkby Malham, 1 – 9 July

Revd Sue McWhinney

Following on from our hugely successful Art in the Dale exhibition last year, we are pleased to announce that Art in the Dale 2023 will take place from 1st to 9th July at St Michael the Archangel, Kirkby Malham, from 9am to 6pm each day. We have 11 local artists exhibiting, plus the Malham Art Group, poetry written by local people, and pieces made by pupils of Kirkby in Malhamdale primary school. Artists confirmed so far include: Fiona Armer, David Bridges, David and Heather Cook, Katharine Holmes, Beverley Hicks (together with her father Peter, and daughter Phoebe), Cindy Metcalfe, Jane Midgley, Mark Pilkington, Sarah Roche, Stephen Waterhouse.

This year we will have some additional events:

- Jazz with Jon Moreman and Friends at the opening event, Saturday 1st July from 4pm to 6pm
- Music for a Summer's Evening by Octameron, Tuesday 4th July at 7pm
- Poetry and Storytelling evening with Katherine Langrish on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm
- Choral Evensong with the Choir of St Alkelda's on Sunday 9th July at 4pm

More details will be posted on the church website and FB page, or please contact Sue if you have any queries.

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01729 830293 or 07484 181699

#### Gargrave Art Exhibition, 6 - 9 July

Gararave Art Exhibition Committee

The fifty-first Gargrave Art Exhibition will be held at Gargrave Village Hall on:

Thursday 6 July 10am – 7pm Friday 7 July 10am – 7pm Saturday 8 July 10am – 7pm Sunday 9 July 10am – 4.30pm

Admission as always is free but donations are welcome, fundraising as the show does for Gargrave Village Hall. We have already received a number of entries, and we are hoping that over the course of the exhibition, totting up all the contributions from the various sections of the local artistic community, to display around 500 pieces of art!

This year we are delighted to welcome a display from the residents of Milton House, the residential and nursing home on Marton Road. Co-Chairs of the committee, Sheila and Sarah, were welcomed very warmly to an art session, held in the conservatory, hosted by the Activities Co-ordinator, Carol Barker. Watercolours, coloured pencils and a water sprayer were being used to great effect to create some beautiful nature-inspired pieces. June and Marjorie, members of the eight strong group, are pictured.



As this edition goes out, there will be a few days left before the submission period closes on June 4, so please go to our website https://gargraveart.uk for further details if you or members of your family are considering entering the Main Exhibition or Young Artists.

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#### Gargrave 2022 Group Craft Show, 12 July

Sarah Kirk

July sees the inaugural Gargrave 2022 Group Craft Show. Every member of this talented and creative group will be invited to bring along something they have made. If they are happy to share their expertise and experiences with the rest of the group so much the better. It promises to be a fun evening!

New members and guests, as always, are very welcome. On the door admission at Gargrave Village Hall of £4 includes light refreshments. 7.00 pm - 7.30 pm.

#### **Events at Kirkby Malham Parish Hall**

Revd Sue McWhinney

Film Night, Saturday 10 June, 7pm 'Woman in Gold' with Helen Mirren.

£7 including pie and pea supper. Veggie and gluten free options available.

'Wines for Summer', Saturday 1 July, 7pm

A wine tasting evening with Alison Askew.

£15, including cheese and paté.

Tickets only in advance from the Old Barn Cafe in Malham and Caroline Rosier <a href="mailto:c.rosier@btinternet.com">c.rosier@btinternet.com</a> or 07815 100353

#### Film Night, Saturday 22 July, 7pm

Title to be announced

Save the Date! Bingo night! Saturday 9 September, 7pm

More details later

Please look out for news of other events including our regular Film Nights on village noticeboards and our FB page:

www.facebook.com/MalhamdaleParishHallKirkbyMalham

Any enquiries re events or bookings, please email Sue on malhamdaleparishhall@hotmail.com or call 07484 181699

#### **NEWS**

#### **Home Library Delivery Service**

Dave Smith

This month, as there is no film to promote, I thought it was a good time to highlight an invaluable service offered by our Library in Gargrave.

The above Home Delivery Service is a free service which is available on a permanent or temporary basis for people of all ages who, for whatever reason, are not able to visit the Library.

In Gargrave the service is run by a team of three volunteers. John Hewitt handles the inevitable administration with North Yorkshire, Jane Ellis selects the books following feedback from our borrowers and Dot Haken delivers, on a monthly cycle, and collects the books which have been read.

Below is a quote from Dot about the service:

'Our readers really do appreciate the book deliveries and it makes the job very rewarding. Most of the credit should go to Jane for picking the books and getting them ready for delivery and bringing them back onto the shelves. And to John for the admin. I get the good bit where I get to give them out. I deliver every 4 weeks, anywhere between 1 and 4 books each.

One Borrower likes books about crafting and patchwork because they give her new ideas. Another requested books for the spring, to get some new ideas about planting pots for a small garden. Most readers have favourite authors, and some have very particular interests, which keeps Jane on her toes! A couple of quotes include:

'It gets lonely on your own, It's nice to see a friendly face.'

'When you can't get out you do miss out on things.'

'Goodness, you come all this way in this awful weather!' (that was to Malham).

'The Home Library Delivery Service is an invaluable sanity saving service and I look forward to seeing the volunteers every few weeks."

At Milton House most of the residents are now signed up for the service. The most interesting comments I've had from there are to the effect that a few will sometimes be encouraged to get their books out and have a look through and talk about them, discussing the stories and the pictures, their memories and their hobbies.

If you would like to join the service or would like more information, please contact John on 07974 079282 or Jane or Dot who will be delighted to hear from you. If you wish to go ahead a member of the team will visit you to discuss the types of books you would be interested in reading. You can borrow books in standard or large print, audio books and DVDs.

Finally, the film shows will recommence on Friday 22 September and the Library will be closed for the Spring Bank Holiday on Monday 29 May.

#### **Gargrave Church of England (VC) Primary School**

Sarah Peel

'Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord'

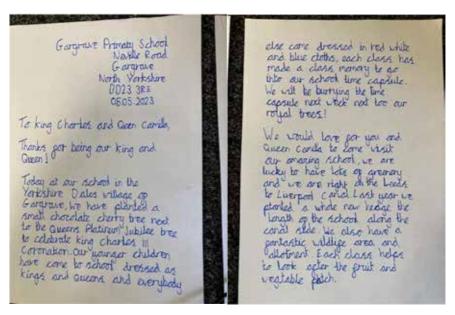
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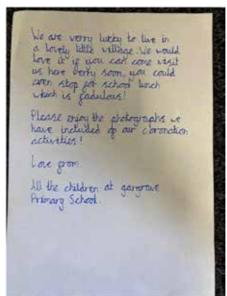
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King Charles III's Coronation was celebrated in style at Gargrave School. All the pupils and staff dressed up in red, white and blue. Some were Kings and Queens.

A cherry tree was planted at the entrance to school. This is alongside the one which we planted last year to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

One class loved drawing our new King. Another has written to the palace, we await their reply, fingers crossed. Please see the letter which shares how pleased our pupils are with the school, its grounds, and the fun learning.

















#### St Andrew's Family Service Review, 7 May

Peter Gardner

Well—all change today. St Andrew's church had left its building and appeared in Gargrave Primary School. During the next few weeks, works were to be carried out inside the church building to replace the old heating system, and so today, the church—which is the people not the building—had assembled in school, for what was billed as "An Adventure with King Jesus".

It certainly sounded as though it would be adventurous. In an almost Churchillian introduction ("blood sweat and tears", etc.) we were informed that we were going to be crossing an alligator-infested swamp with risk to life and that those who fell in would die! Several brave souls volunteered to be in one of two teams, and all, to the amusement of those remaining on the "banks", managed to cross the raging torrent of the school hall floor on Craven Herald rocks, without any loss of life or limb.

Having thus created a light-hearted atmosphere, we turned to the theme of the day which on this coronation weekend, was all about kings. "How does an earthly king differ from a heavenly king?" we were asked and after a short discussion in groups, several ideas were put forward. We then had a reading from "The Message" version of the bible, which, if you want a really easy-to-read version, might be just the one for you.

Pam then gave us a short talk focussing on kingship and the results of pledging allegiance to and following King Jesus, our heavenly King, which she emphasised, would certainly prove to be a real lifelong adventure.

We then prayed for all sorts of people, ranging from the people of Turkey and Syria whose lives have been devasted over the past few years, that they would get the right sort of help, to deprived children, that they, too, would get the help they need.

Finally, the children returned to show us what they had been up to—some really attractive crowns had been made, and we finished the service with a song and a blessing. Always a good way to put an end to things—in the nicest possible way of course!

#### St Andrew's Family Service Review, 2 April

Peter Gardner

In last month's review of the St Andrew's Family Service of 2 April it was stated that on Palm Sunday Jesus borrowed a donkey and rode into Jerusalem and that the people were so excited they went out to meet him, cut down palm branches from the trees and put them down in the road shouting "Hosanna blessed be the King of Israel".

The preacher reminded us that this was one of literally hundreds of prophecies about Jesus which came true. The article went on to say that "A maths professor, Professor Peter Stoner, calculated that the chances of 'only' 48 of those prophecies being fulfilled in one person, was I in 10."

It should have stated, "A maths professor, Professor Peter Stoner, calculated that the chances of 'only' 48 of those prophecies being fulfilled in one person, was 1 in  $10^{157}$ ."

The omission makes a massive difference to the point being made. If the chance of 48 prophecies being fulfilled in one person is one in 10, that is a relatively high possibility. If the chance of 48 prophecies being fulfilled in one person is 1 in  $10^{157}$  that is an incredibly low possibility. It means there is one chance in 10 followed by 157 zeros of it happening. To give some idea as to how large a number 10 to the power 157 is, the professor gave an illustration of this number using electrons.

"Electrons are very small objects. They're smaller than atoms. It would take 2.5 TIMES  $10^{15}$  of them, laid side by side, to make one inch. Even if we counted 250 of these electrons each minute, and counted day and night, it would still take 19 million years just to count a line of electrons one inch long. With this introduction, let's go back to our chance of one in  $10^{157}$ . Let's suppose that we're taking this number of electrons, marking one, and thoroughly stirring it into the whole mass, then blindfolding a man and letting him try to find the right one. What chance has he of finding the right one? What kind of a pile will this number of electrons make? They make an inconceivably large volume."

So—as the chance of Jesus fulfilling 'only' 48 prophecies is so incredibly small, the professor concluded,

"Any man who rejects Christ as the Son of God is rejecting a fact, proved perhaps more absolutely than any other fact in the world."

If anyone is interested in reading the article about the mathematical probability that Jesus is the Christ, you should search "The Mathematical Probability that Jesus is the Christ | Empower International".

#### **News from the Belfry**

Alison Lucas

I am writing this following a busy weekend of bellringing. To date there have been over 4,300 special bell ringing performances across the country to mark the Coronation of King Charles III and Gargrave was not going to be left out of such an occasion.

On the day of the ceremony we rang a special combination of 'Coronation Call Changes' first rung over 70 years ago to mark the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

The biggest achievement of the weekend however was two Quarter Peals on the Bank Holiday Monday. One of our ringers explains a 'quarter peal' for the non-ringer:

Imagine you are playing a piece of music with 6 notes, but you only play 1 of the notes with 5 other people playing the other 5. Now imagine that piece of music lasts about 45 minutes with the order of the notes changing every single time you go through a set of 6 notes. Now imagine in order to play your note you have to pull on a long rope about a second and a half before your note actually sounds in perfect time to keep the notes in the right order (and this time delay varies depending on which note you are playing), and also on the end of that rope is the weight of a small family car so you have to be in complete control. And you need to play the whole tune with 1,260 different patterns of notes, all in one go, without a single mistake to succeed!

Well succeed we did. It was a 'first' for Wendy Hall, who featured in the magazine article in March. She rang the Tenor bell. It was her first time ringing for 45 minutes without stopping—no mean feat!

It was also a first for Allison Wiffen and Debbie Fletcher, who both rang an 'inside' bell, doing all the complicated changes of position. We were delighted that the concentration and nerves held out and they are all now 'Qualified' members of the Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers.



The band 'Ringing for the King'

#### St Andrew's Church Clock

Our beautiful church clock has now been completely refurbished and will chime throughout the village for many years to come. A huge thank you to the Yorkshire Historical Clocks trust for their generous gift which together with funds from Gargrave Parish Council has enabled this work to be completed.

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The Annual Meeting was followed by the Monthly Meeting. I am pleased to announce that all but one Councillor have remained on the Parish Council. Councillor Peter Ward decided after 10 years on the Parish Council as a Councillor, Vice Chair and Chairman it was time to step down, therefore, as I write this piece for the Parish Magazine there is currently one vacancy. Our Chairman Stephen Coetzer thanked Councillor Ward for his hard work and service to the village during this time.

The litter pick took place on the 29<sup>th</sup> April and thank you to all those that turned up to help including Councillor Myers. Fortunately, there was not that much litter around the village as there are a few parishioners that do a litter pick on a regular basis which once again, thank you to them.

The Parish Council would also like to thank the Twinlocks Garden Centre for their donation of plants for the 4 planters which are placed at both entrances to the village and the Wilding Group for making these and planting them up in time for the Kings Coronation.

#### 1. Craven District Councillors Report:

Cllr Myers asked if anyone had experienced any difficulty getting hold of officers at the Belle Vue Offices and if so, please let him know. It is inevitable with the amalgamation of eight councils as it is very difficult to achieve but the staff are trying to bring everything together.

Cllr Myers also expressed his disappointment that long outstanding planning applications which he hoped would be dealt with are still outstanding, such as the Hellifield Flashes, and of course the Saw Mill Site application.

He was also disappointed with the decision not to go ahead with the proposed Traffic Calming Chicane up by the Railway Station. However, there are other ways into Gargrave where there are good visibilities and a chicane would be effective. NY Police are currently having a review of their speed enforcement.

Cllr Myers told the meeting he was very proud that so many people attended the Litter Pick.

#### 2. Public Participation:

A parishioner wished to raise his concerns relating to the Crusher machine now operating at Kelber Farm, which was still going at 8pm last night. This has been filmed and was still working this evening, this is a serious issue. The video will be

sent through to the Clerk. The Parish Council are aware of the ongoing concerns relating to activities at Kelber Farm and are in discussions with various authorities regarding this.

Another parishioner wished to raise the incident which he has already reported to the Clerk when his daughter and his granddaughter (in a pram) had a very scary encounter with a speeding motorist which led them to having to dive into a neighbour's gateway for safety.

Small speed bumps, similar to those at Coniston Hotel maybe the solution and it was agreed that the Clerk contact Area5 NYCC Highways to request a site meeting to discuss this issue. Cllr Simon Myers confirmed he will support the case.

A resident of Park Croft wished to raise concerns relating to a letter that all residents have recently received from NYCC advising that they are ceasing bin collection from driveways with immediate effect. Their reasoning for this appears to be that it is not safe to reverse the wagon onto the A65 which they have had to do as cars were parked in the turning point area. It was agreed to raise the matter with NYCC Waste Management and Cllr Myers agreed to look into the matter.

#### 3. Speeding

Speeding in the Village continues to be a serious problem, the Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) purchased has been a good investment and the data is continuously analysed. The Chair advised the meeting that at the recent Finance Meeting the Parish Council approved the installation of an additional VAS point on the A65 on Hellifield Road close to Park Croft entrance and the recent data supports the need for this. The sign was up for 43 days at the current location when entering the village from Hellifield. During this time there were 231,203 vehicles that passed through the village with the highest speed of 65mph at 23:50 was recorded which is a concern given the location. It may be a perception at times that vehicles are speeding but the average speed recorded through the village is 24.6mph. The figures that the Police and North Yorkshire Highways would use prior to taking any action is the 85th percentile speed, during this period this was 29.4mph.

#### 4. Travellers

It is that time of the year again when the annual Appleby fair takes place between  $8\text{-}14^{\text{th}}$  June, as such we get travellers stopping in the village. The Parish Council monitor the situation and we would advise that if any resident experiences any problems then please call 101 and report these. Please make sure to get an incident number and let the Parish Council have this as it will help when we also report any problems. Please note the Parish Council do not have any additional powers.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 7 June 2023 at  $7.15\,\mathrm{pm}$ . All are welcome.

#### News from the Village Hall

I am writing this piece as the King's Coronation weekend ends. What an amazing piece of history we were able to witness and such a shame that the crowds in London were not able to enjoy the weather that we had up North. The plans and logistics which must have gone into the event were unbelievable, but everything was executed to perfection.

Thankfully our afternoon tea event to celebrate the Coronation was, I hope, executed to a similar standard and for this I must extend my thanks to committee members Sally, Christine, David, and Michael and to our lovely Village Hall friends Jane, Patsy, and Kath. Special thanks to Christine and Jane B for their amazing bulk baking of scones and cupcakes. We are lucky to have such a great team. The band Silhouette have a marvellous reputation for entertaining their audience, so they went down a treat. It was great to see some of the audience up dancing and especially the lovely lady from Neville House Care Home who even managed to find a younger dance partner! I hope the lucky prize winners of the Royal raffle enjoyed their bounty; it was fun looking for a selection of prizes. I think that everyone went home with some happy memories from their Coronation celebration at the Village Hall.

We were sorry to hear that some members of the Gargrave hand bell ringers were unwell as they had planned to play outside the Village Hall on the Sunday as people arrived. We hope everyone is now recovered. We also send get well wishes to Joan who unfortunately was taken into Airedale hospital on the day of the Coronation. Joan is a much-respected former Gargrave Village Hall committee member who will have attended and enjoyed more celebrations at the Village Hall than many more of us put together and we know how much she still looks forward to attending events. Fortunately, Michael, another of our members, had just come out of hospital a couple of days beforehand. It was great to see him back home, looking so well and even piping cream onto a hundred scones!

We will have had some major work undertaken by the time this month's magazine is published as the plumber is booked in at the end of May for a period of around five days to install the two new boilers which will heat the three zones at the front of the Hall: the main hall, foyer and library, and the two Committee rooms at the side of the main Hall. The two old boilers were installed many years ago and have begun to cost money to repair and their reliability is questionable to say the least. The existing boilers have been identified as oversized and have a combined output of 90KW and it has been calculated that new boilers with a combined output of 70KW will be more than adequate so there will be an immediate saving on gas usage as well as greater efficiency. The boiler positions will also be moved to the left and right wall of the boiler cupboard to allow for ease of servicing as their

current positions are very restrictive for any work needed on them. The boilers will have a manufacturer's warranty on them of ten years. Whilst we have the plumber in attendance, we also hope to install some reflective panels behind the radiators which should reflect all the heat back into the property, reducing the energy needed for heating and thus reducing the energy bills at the same time.

Our investigations into the installation of solar panels continues. We have been given a quote by a local firm, but we need many more details and a lot more discussion before we make any decisions.

We have received a detailed Carbon Reduction review and appraisal report which North Yorkshire County Council were offering free to Community Buildings. The seventeen-page report takes some digesting and there may be some areas which could be useful for us to look at but as yet I am probably just on page five! The report is impressive and detailed, but my first thought is how much the free reports will have cost to undertake and produce. Is it money well spent by NYCC?

I hope by the time you receive this magazine that the sun has begun to shine, and we have a few months of not having to worry about heating costs. Enjoy the summer.

#### **Coniston Cold Young Farmers Club**

James Mellin

Our first meeting in March was at Kirkby Malham Village Hall, for a touch taste and smell evening which was organised by Mrs Sue Wright. Members were blindfolded and had to taste multiple foods to guess what they were. For touch they had to put on a pair of gloves and guess the object. 1st over 14s Archie Wellock, John Pearson.1st under 14s Charlie Kimberly, Katie Wellock.

On the  $14^{\text{th}}$  of March members met at the Richard Tottie Memorial Hall for our annual Beetle Drive. The idea of the game is to dissect the beetle on the rolling of the certain number on a dice. Players have to roll a six to start.  $1^{\text{st}}$  Flynn Cartman, Lucy Kimberly.

Other events included two quiz nights and the district bingo evening.



A big thank you to Chris Pearson and Agri Lloyd for supplying our members with CCYFC hoodies. It is much appreciated, thank you.

On the  $18^{\text{th}}$  of April we were all excited to travel to Rosendale ski slope we started off with a short lesson of walking around and then were introduced to the small slope.



We ended April on a high with a farm walk, dairy cow judging and a very interesting talk on milking robots. We started off the walk in the calf and young heifer buildings, they were all split up into different age groups. We then moved on to a building with older cattle and calving pens as well as a look around there latest building in construction, this is to contain dry cattle (not presently milking). We had a look around the meadows where there was a good crop of grass already. We were advised on judging dairy cattle and what to look for in their bone structure and udder placement. We then went on to watching the cows being milked by the automatic robots, and ended the night with a great supper. Many thanks to the Booth family for such an interesting visit.

To join us this spring for more activities call 01729830123.



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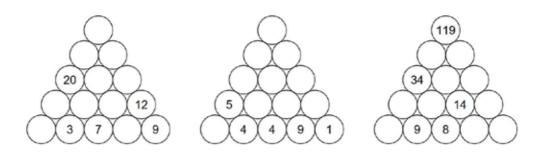
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#### **Number puzzles**

#### How to play

Two numbers in two circles next to each other in the same row equal the number in the circle above them when added together, e.g. the number in the bottom-left corner of the middle triangle will be "1". Can you fill in the empty circles?

See the foot of p.38 for the answers.





#### April Update: Eric "Funstrum"

We thoroughly enjoyed the visit of Eric Cribbins aka Eric Funstrum. Eric shared his enthusiasm and skill with great warmth and humour. Founder of three local ukelele groups, in Skipton, Earby and Clitheroe, Eric attributes the growth in popularity of this once rather derided instrument to several factors. The ukelele is portable, not too noisy, is relatively affordable (from £25-330), tuition is widely available on the internet, and crucially, musicians such as Ed Sheeran and Billie Eilish feature the instrument in their songs.

In addition, the ukelele is easy to learn. Most people, according to Eric's bold claim, will be able to play a tune within 15 minutes, and within a very short space of time, Eric had the Gargrave 2022 Group singing as a choir—"doing the oooooo's"—too! It's a versatile instrument and groups play all styles of music. The way the ukelele is tuned gives it, as Eric remarked, a "bright and joyful" sound. Appropriately we joined in with Eric's opening song, Bring Me Sunshine, and watched in admiration, as Eric played 7 different types of ukelele from soprano to bass to electric, and of course, the circular-bodied banjo ukelele most associated with George Formby.

For those of us who grew up in the wake of George Formby's legacy, it was interesting and not a little surprising to learn that all the Beatles were/are fans, admiring in particular the very difficult scissor action strumming which George invented. Indeed George Harrison became at one time the President of the midcentury star's appreciation society.

Eric was, as many of his generation, an aspirant Beatle, swapping guitar lessons from fellow pupils for completing Latin homework. Unfortunately, after many years playing and singing in folk clubs, he suffered a stroke. Following a

hiatus of 10 years the introduction of the ukelele brought back music and song into his life.

The ukelele is often thought to be Hawaiian in origin but this, as Eric explained, is only half the tale. The ukelele was introduced to the island by Portuguese and Spanish sailors in the 1870s who took a smaller version of the European guitar on board with them. The name "ukelele" comes from the Hawaiian language for dancing flea, after the movement of the fingers on the neck of the instrument.

We all went home very happy, agreeing that Eric had proved what George Harrison stated: "It's hard to play a ukelele without smiling. It tends to lighten up your life."

#### Soup and A Sweet Meal

A huge thank you to all those who supported the successful event held at the end of April.



#### **Gargrave Wildlife Working Group Update**

Sheila Bamford and Sarah Kirk

#### The Woodland Walk

During the winter the group added nearly 100 beech and hornbeam whips along the fence which runs alongside the walk, using them to plug the gaps in the well-established hawthorn hedge. Some saplings have been staked with a more substantial support and as the leaves open more fully, the young bird cherry, rowan, downy birch, field maple and goat willow trees are revealing their identities.

Inevitably we had a couple of casualties but most of the young trees near the bank withstood the river in flood. Now the temporary bridge and other site

structures have been removed we can once again take full-time care of trees planted at the furthest end of the walk.

In late April we carried out an initial strim of the grass and used the cuttings to mulch the trees. "Pools" of wildflowers, including dandelions, cranesbill, forget-me-not and cuckoo flower, were left to provide food and shelter. Cuckoo flower or lady's smock is an attractive pinky-white flower with watercress-like leaves and is the food plant of the orange-tip caterpillar. In early May, an orange-tip butterfly was spotted fluttering down the river so it is to be hoped it found an appropriate laying site.

#### The Plantation between the Summerseat and the Bridge

We hope everyone enjoyed the magnificent display of snowdrops in the early spring. There are plans to further enhance this winter spectacle with the planting of snowdrop bulbs in the adjoining two plantation areas (see below).

The plantation is now putting on its early summer show with a profusion of dandelions following the celandines and daffodils. We have all our fingers crossed and hope very much that the wildflower seeds we planted last autumn have germinated and flowers will put their heads above the grasses in the next few weeks. What has already happened, however, is a huge influx of insect life. On a sunny afternoon in particular you can hear the buzzing of the hoverflies and catch glimpses of other life finding sanctuary in the undergrowth. In the near future, we intend to carry out a survey of all wildlife present in the area and post the results on the noticeboard just behind the railings.

Many of you will have already noticed in your own gardens that there has been a profusion of sycamore seedlings this year. And, as we host a mature sycamore, the area has been liberally covered too! According to The Woodland Trust, every few years, some species of trees and shrubs, beech and oak for example, produce a bumper crop of their fruits or nuts. The collective term for these fruits, nuts or seeds is 'mast', so this has clearly been a mast year for sycamore. One of the main theories for this behaviour is 'predator satiation'. Birds and small mammals such as squirrels and goldfinches feed on sycamore seeds. When the trees produce smaller crops for a few consecutive years, they are in effect keeping the populations of these animals in check. But during a mast year, the trees produce more food than the animals can possibly eat.

The mast year crucially also guarantees that some will be left over to survive and grow into new trees. Mast years have a major evolutionary advantage for the tree. Producing nuts or seeds in this case is costly work and slightly stunts the tree's growth, but as it tends to happen every 5-10 years, it's worth the payoff for some of the crop to germinate into new saplings.

#### The Coronation Planters

At the request of the Parish Council, bespoke planters have been placed at both entrances to the village to mark the King's Coronation. The troughs, planted out by members of the group, using peat-free, organic compost, will be tended and watered throughout the season.

Both the compost and plants have been very generously donated by Martin Twiss at Twin Locks Garden Centre, Hellifield Road, Gargrave. Martin provided suitably in-keeping red, white and blue flowers: two bedding varieties of pelargonium, white Paloma and red Fernando, and a scabious, Butterfly Blue Beauty, which we hope will live up to its name and attract butterflies and many other insects too.

As mentioned earlier, the Parish Council, in recognition of the work involved in maintaining the planters, and in order to further enhance the village environment, is funding the purchase of 5000 common snowdrops. In a few years' time, it is to be hoped that Gargrave will be able to boast its own snowdrop spectacular, lifting the hearts of all villagers and visitors whilst providing abundant nectar for bees and other insects early in the year.

For further information, or if you would like to support the work of the group, please contact: gargravewildlife@gmail.com.

#### **FARMING ON SCALEBER HILL**

John Hall

As the dark days of winter are now behind us, the days lengthen, and the birds start to nest, the pleasure of an open-air lifestyle resumes.

We have really appreciated the benefit of the refurbished buildings again this lambing time. The weather in April was very mixed—with fine spells and wild wet days. What a pleasure it was having sufficient pen space to keep ewes and their new lambs under cover on the bad days. Having individual pens for each family is great but it is very labour intensive as they need feeding, watering and bedding twice a day. For the main three weeks of lambing the sheep need attention 24 hours a day. Not all births go to plan—our vets had to perform three caesareans for us this year. It is surprising how many lambing difficulties occur during the night and it is reassuring the vets can be contacted 24/7 when necessary. We finally finished lambing on Sunday 7th May after five intense weeks. Unfortunately, the last to lamb, a Herdwick, only had milk on one teat. Having had two lambs, one is now a pet. Lambing has gone well this year albeit with slightly fewer lambs than normal, no doubt due to the dry conditions last summer.

The lambs have now all been id marked (handy if mixed with your neighbours) and vaccinated for orf. Orf is a nasty virus which causes blister like

legions on the mouth and nose of the lambs which can prevent them from suckling. The virus can also be passed on to the ewe's teats which can also prevent lambs from suckling.

The first batches of sheep with single lambs have been taken to their summer pastures above Long Preston. Sheep with twin lambs will follow shortly to lower pastures. This enables the meadows at Scaleber to be grown for silage.

The last batch of dairy heifers all calved successfully and the last heifer was sold on the  $4^{th}$  May. This, for Scaleber, is the end of an era after 80 years of dairy cattle on the farm. We will, however, continue with suckler cows, beef cattle and sheep.

The suckler cows are just starting to calve to the new limousin bull which we purchased last summer. It is always daunting calving to a new bull for the first time as you are unsure of the confirmation of the calf and how easily born they will be. Early indications look promising—fingers crossed!

The first swallows have arrived back from their wintering ground in Africa and are swooping in and out of the shippons and barns looking for suitable nest sites. Every building already seems to have its resident blackbird nest and the robin which nested in a bucket on top of a sheep pen section has successfully fledged.

As the weather warms the cattle will soon be turned out for summer. They are already restless and ready to go!

#### **MEDITATION FOR JUNE**

Dave Tomlinson

Dave Tomlinson is a semi-retired vicar, popular writer and regular contributor to Radio 2's 'Pause for Thought'. Nick Cave is an enigmatic poet, singer and composer with a career spanning 50 years. He attracted media surprise by attending the recent Coronation. A lesser-known fact is that last year the former Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, selected Cave's 'Faith, Hope and Carnage' as his 'Book of the Year'.

#### The Paradox of Prayer

'I don't believe in an interventionist God, but I know darling that you do!' is the opening line of Nick Cave's wonderful love song, 'Into My Arms'. It's probably one of the most blatant theological statements ever made in the history of rock music. I suspect that all of us—including Nick Cave—want God to be an interventionist God at times: when we long to see a loved one healed of an incurable disease, or when we would happily see some God-awful tyrant zapped. And there are plenty of people who think that is how prayer works: like ordering something on Amazon and sitting back and waiting for the 'goods' to arrive.

Yet prayer is not so simplistic. If God does really intervene in human affairs, why is it done in such a spasmodic and weirdly selective fashion? Why would the Almighty find somebody a parking spot, or grant a request for a sunny day for the church barbeque? Surely divine time and energy is better spent averting a tsunami, or helping a small child escape torture and abuse?

Most questions about religion come back to the way we picture God. Can we imagine an all-powerful, loving God who, for some reason would choose to intervene in our personal little problems, while failing to respond to the crises of hundreds of thousands of innocent people caught up in all sorts of natural or manmade tragedies. Why would God help some and not others?

So is the idea of divine intervention in response to prayer something of an absurdity? Well, yes—except I confess that I personally pray for things to happen all the time. Not for one moment, do I imagine prayer working in some crude cause-and-effect fashion; yet I can't get rid of the gut feeling that it does matter whether or not we pray for people and situations. So intellectually and theologically, I have real problems with the idea of divine intervention, but in practical terms, I seem to ask God to do things all the time.

In the end what I dislike most about the notion of divine intervention is that, essentially, it places God outside, and separate from, the world. I find the semantics of 'intervention' totally unhelpful and inappropriate. God does not intervene because God already inhabits every atom of the universe. God is already radically involved, interconnected and interactive with all life and the whole of creation.

I don't believe in an interventionist God, but I do believe in a God who is totally immersed in the world, and in the life of humanity. I don't look to God to plunge down from the skies and make everything fine in the world, but I am convinced there is no suffering soul whose pain God does not share. God is the creative imagination (the Holy Spirit) in every human being, which relentlessly presses and inspires us towards a life and a world where love and justice prevail over hatred and oppression. God is the soul of the world, breathing life and hope and courage into seemingly impossible circumstances.

The God I can believe in is a God whose sole power is the power of love. This is the God revealed in Jesus: a God who enters the world as a helpless child, who lives in poverty, who never attempts to rise to power, who redefines authority as service, who mocks supremacy by riding into Jerusalem on an ass instead of a mighty war horse, and who is utterly vulnerable on a cross. For me, Christianity would be another religious system to make me yawn were it not for the theologically revolutionary story of Jesus that reveals a God whose sole existence is love itself.

**Acknowledgements**: Material is taken from 'Black Sheep and Prodigals – An antidote to black and white religion', 2017 and 'Re-enchanting Christianity – faith in an emerging culture', 2008, both by Dave Tomlinson. There is an official video of 'Into My Arms' on youtube.

#### WATER IN AND AROUND GARGRAVE

Duncan Faulkner

#### 8. Tap water

It's 8am and I have just realised that I am in danger of missing the parish magazine contributions deadline, so I've quickly washed up my breakfast things and sat down at the laptop to write a few more lines about water. I must admit I so often take for granted the ability to turn on a tap, like I just have, and expect a constant supply of clean water.

For years I have wondered where the water from our taps here in Gargrave originates. Thanks to my friend and former colleague Miranda in Yorkshire Water, I now have an answer. It turns out that much of it comes quite a long way. Most of the mains water supplied to Gargrave (and Skipton) comes via the water treatment works at Embsay, just below the dam at Embsay Reservoir. The water is abstracted from Embsay Reservoir, but most of the water in that reservoir does not come from rainfall over the (quite small) catchment of the reservoir. Instead, it empties out of a pipe at the north end of the reservoir. I've seen it many times while sailing or kayaking, gushing out from underground. It explains why Embsay Reservoir is nearly always full, even after dry weather like last summer. That pipe is connected to the Nidd Aqueduct, which feeds water from the Scar House and Angram reservoirs in Nidderdale, and sometimes Grimwith Reservoir as well. The aqueduct takes water to Bradford but has a branch which runs to Embsay Reservoir.

So many of the drops of water that I've just used to wash up my cereal bowl fell as rain in the moors of upper Nidderdale, on the slopes of Great Whernside.

Gargrave can also get some water from the Worth Valley reservoirs Ponden and Watersheddles via a pumping station at Niffany.

After the drought in the mid-90s, Yorkshire Water converted their supply system to a grid, to allow them to move water around their supply area and avoid scenes of tankers driving water. This in fact happened regularly during summer months, with a few tankers per week taking water to the Settle and Ingleton areas, which are now also supplied from Embsay.

The treatment works at Embsay is currently being extended. It removes all sorts of contaminants, natural and artificial, from the raw water, including particles, manganese, Cryptosporidium, trihalomethanes and acetic acids.

I don't know when mains water first reached Gargrave, but previously the village was supplied by a piped system from springs on Sharphaw Fell, supplemented by local wells. Some more isolated properties are still on private water supplies from springs. In a sense our water still comes from Sharphaw because the treated water is temporarily stored in a covered service reservoir high up on the slopes of the hill, just below the edge of the wooded area. From there it flows under gravity into the village.

The 1892 Estate Report gives details about negotiations between Sir Mathew Wilson and the Leeds and Liverpool Canal Co for a metered water supply from Winterburn Reservoir to the Eshton Hall Estate.

With thanks to Miranda Foster, Senior Hydrologist at Yorkshire Water, and Sue Lyall for the historical information.

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#### **Literary Quiz**

Answers at the foot of p.38.

1.	Jane Austen wrote <i>Pride and Prejudice, Mansfield Park, Sense and Sensibility, Emma, Northanger Abbey,</i> and <i>Persuasion.</i> Which other book, recently adapted for television, was she writing, but didn't finish, before she died?						
2.	Old Major and Napoleon are two of the principal characters of which novel?						
3.	Robert Galbraith, of the Cormoran Strike series, is the pen name of which author?						
4.	Rearrange these letters to form the title of a well-known book.						
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5.	<ul> <li>Which of the following has not been adapted for the screen?</li> <li>The Catcher in the Rye, JD Salinger</li> <li>Pride and Prejudice, Jane Austen</li> <li>The Lady in the Van, Alan Bennett</li> </ul>						
6.	The Shire in Middle Earth is the fictional world created by which author?						
7.	"He was hardly more than five feet four inches but carried himself with great dignity. His head was exactly the shape of an egg, and he always perched it a little on one side The neatness of his attire was almost incredible; I believe a speck of dust would have caused him more pain than a bullet wound" is the description given by the author of which fictional detective?						
8.	Lady Whistledown, popular and admired anonymous writer of a social pamphlet detailing the gossip of "the ton", is one of the characters in which series by Julia Quinn?						

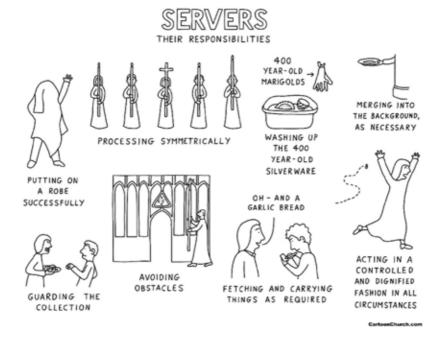
9.	Which book begins: "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness,". Name the book title and author.								
10.	). Which well-known author famously disappeared for 10 days in December 1926 and was found to have checked in to the Old Swan hotel in Harrogate under the name Mrs Teresa Neele?								
11.	Which area of the Lake District reportedly gave William Wordsworth the inspiration for his poem <i>I wandered lonely as a cloud,</i> commonly known as <i>Daffodils</i> ?								
12.	Professor James Moriarty is the adversary of which fictional character?								
13.	Heathcliff and Cathy are the fictional characters of which author?								
14.	On the first day of his epic dietary adventure what did the Very Hungry Caterpillar eat?								
15.	The following is a line from which Shakespeare play?  O happy dagger,  This is thy sheath: there rust, and let me die.								
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Quiz Answers

1. Sanditon 2. Animal Farm 3. JK Rowling 4. Great Expectations 5. The Catcher in the Rye, JD Salinger 6. JRR Tolkien 7. Hercule Poirot 8. Bridgerton 9. A Tale of Two Cities, Charles Dickens 10. Agatha Christie 11. Ullswater/Grasmere 12. Sherlock Holmes 13. Emily Brontë 14. 1 apple 15. Romeo and Juliet

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9 July	Chapman	Ackroyd	Ackroyd	Wilson	Van Oijen	Ackroyd	email]	
16		Sarah	Judith	Jennifer	Jennifer	Duncan	[Please see	
July	Kay Craven	Curtis	Robinson	Rowlands	Rowlands	Faulkner	email]	
23	_	Yvonne	Peter	Jean		Peter	[Please see	
July	Linda Wall	Poulter	Poulter	Banks	Kit	Poulter	email]	
30		Mark	Claire	Jane	Paul	Zena	[Please see	
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Sunday 1121 1210 1420 1448 1656 1856 2107 2123

**To Giggleswick** (arr. ~ 20 mins later) & **Lancaster** (arr. ~ 65 mins later)

M-Sat 0525S0 0528SX 0731 0902 1102SX 1103S0 1304 1504 1815 2006

Sunday 0922 1115 1412 1615 1814 **To Settle** (arr. ~18 min later) & **Carlisle** (arr. ~2hrs later)

Mon-Sat 0605SX 0711SO 0832SX 0833SO 1003 1133 1604 1732 1902 20332

Sunday 0950 1315 1509

NOTES: Location of Pick Up in Gargrave for Rail Replacement Buses is <u>uncertain</u>: may be beside The Summer Seat on High Street <u>OR</u> at Station Entrance: <u>CHECK WITH NORTHERN</u>.

Generally, **only DIRECT journeys are shown. 1.** Mon-Fri change at Skipton for Leeds. **2.** Ribblehead only. **As of 14 May: No Engineering works affecting Gargrave in June have been identified.** *That may change. Check with Northern Railway.* **For live info on next 2 trains text GARGRAVE to 84950, or go to <a href="https://www.realtimetrains.co.uk/">www.realtimetrains.co.uk/</a>** 

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Saturday 0820 0910 0955 1055M 1155 1235M 1355 1555 1655M 1755

Sundays + B.Hols [864] to 22 Oct 1210M 1512M 1702M

**To Settle DIRECT** (arrives ~ 25 mins later) (Service 580/75) and (++) onward to **Kirkby Lonsdale** (Service 581) and thence to **Lancaster** (Service 81/82)

Mon-Fri\* 0905++ 1000 1100++ 1200 1300++ 1400 1500++ 1600++ 1700++ 1900++

Saturday 0905++ 1100++ 1300++ 1500++ 1700++ 1800++ 1900++

Sundays + B.Hols: *No Service* 

To Malham (arrives ~ 25mins later) (Services 210/211, 75, 864)

Mon-Fri\* [210/211] 1000<sup>7</sup> 1310<sup>7</sup> Saturday [75] *to 28 Oct:* 1000 1445

Sundays + Bank Hols [864] to 22 Oct: 1057 1242 1542

NOTES. 7. Tues & Thurs (as service 211) stops at Coniston Cold 4 mins after Gargrave.

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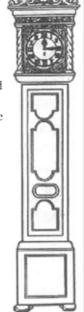
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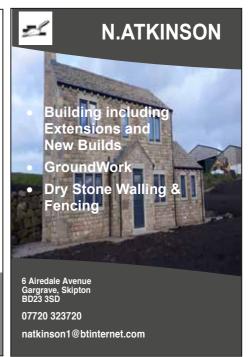


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