

Worship and Services

Harvest Festival – Sunday 9th October. A congregation of 28 came together to celebrate the Harvest Festival at St Peter's. The sermon reminded us that despite all the terrible suffering in the world, which the media tends to concentrate on, there is still much goodness to celebrate. Try googling 'random acts of kindness' and you will be pleasantly surprised to have this confirmed. Our cash collection (combined with that made on St Peter's Day) raised nearly £300, and will be donated to the Mustard Seed Appeal.



Gifts of fresh produce and food for the Food Bank were presented at the altar with the collection.

Many thanks to Judith Slater and her helpers for the beautiful flowers which were even more stunning in colour!

St Peter's Church of England – who to contact?

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From the Vicarage

There is much to celebrate at St Peter's! Our Harvest Festival weekend has been a resounding success. Many in our community came together to enjoy the music, singing and readings from literature, which focused our minds on Autumnal themes: the beauty of nature and God's generosity to us his creatures.

An integral part of the Harvest Festival Sunday service is the presentation of gifts at the altar. The perishable goods are taken to the Flookburgh Family Centre. The cash collection will go to the Archbishop's Mustard Seed Fund which aims to help create a more just financial system for those in need.

Harvest time gives us all an opportunity to reflect on our giving and to remind us to appreciate all that we have.

From the PCC (PCC Minutes are on the church notice board & the website)

Request to leave the Team: Formal letters have been sent from Cartmel and Field Broughton to the Team Rector, the Archdeacon and the Bishop requesting to leave the Cartmel Peninsula Team Ministry. As part of this legal process which has now been initiated, there was a consultation undertaken within parish with members of Electoral Roll, the email mailing list, congregation and residents. Representatives from St Peter's attended the Team Council meeting on 5th October. Details of developments will be made public as the process unfolds.

Strategy reassessment: A meeting of the PCC took place on Monday 19th September at High Newton Village Hall to look again at the strategic planning for St Peter's to ensure our continued growth. Many exciting ideas were discussed.

Broadband has arrived St Peter's! Well, we are nearly there. Thanks to our sponsors, the BT line has been installed and there is a functioning router socket. We are currently investigating how to optimise the signal throughout the church before 'going live' with the project.

Boon Day: On Sunday 25th September we managed to find a gap in the showers and complete our final Boon Day grass cutting before the leaves began to fall and complicate the raking up. Many thanks to all who helped – especially to the providers of the mowers' and rakers' tea. Volunteers for the grass cutting are always welcome; many hands make light work.



Another slice? Church Warden with mutant grass-collecting hands, and (in the last picture): Stopping for a well-earned breather.

Words and Music with an Autumnal Theme: This event was held on Saturday 8th October and was attended by over 60 appreciative attendees. This is the second year we have held the event, and it is hoped that it will become a regular feature in the cultural calendar of the Cartmel Valley. A big thank you to all who helped, especially to Judith Poole who introduced



us to three keyboard soloists (Edwin and Edmund Hui, and Lawrence Diffey) who played a selection of pieces ranging from Beethoven to Jazz with some Star Wars thrown in for good measure. Our version of 'Sister Act' was also something special as were contributions from Russ Bate (*The Farmer's Toast*) and Stewart Cowe (*John Barleycorn*). Ella Tasker's poetry reading, and Laura Wilson's unaccompanied singing, were definite highlights. Very special thanks must go to Val Richardson for taking responsibility for selecting the readings (and readers) and making sure the whole evening proceeded without a hitch. The chorus from *The Farmer's Toast* seems appropriate:

*I have lawns, I have bowers, I have fields, I have flowers,
And the lark is my daily alarmer.
So jolly boys now, here's God speed the plough,
Long life and success to the farmer.*

For Your Diary

Tuesday 8th November: A visit arranged for the congregation of St Paul's, Grange, to visit St Peter's and have a tour of our church and to socialise over afternoon tea. We are really looking forward to this occasion.

Sunday 13th November: Church cleaning. Please volunteer – sign up on the sheet in church. If you don't sign up, you'd still be welcome on the day!

Special services: Sunday 13th November: Remembrance Sunday.

Sunday 11th December: Our Service of Nine Lessons and Carols.

Sunday 18th December: Christingle and the Blessing of the Crib.

Sunday 8th January: Epiphany Sunday with our Epiphany lunch at 12.30.

Carol singing around the parish: Tuesdays 13th and 20th December.

The Tree of Light will be in church from Advent Sunday. This prayer tree offers an opportunity to remember loved ones over the Christmas period.