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DATE	ENNERDALE	KIRKLAND	LAMPLUGH
3.9.23	C AYLING	M WATTS	-
10.9.23	-	C ABBOT	J DAVIS
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READINGS - September 2023

DATE	1ST READING	2ND READING	GOSPEL
3.9.23	JEREMIAH 15:15-2	ROMANS 12:9-end	MATTHEW 16:21-end
10.9.23	EZEKIEL 33:7-11	ROMANS 13:8-14	MATTHEW 18:15-20
17.9.23	GENESIS 50:15-21	ROMANS 14:1-1	MATTHEW 18:21-35
24.9.23	JONAH 3:10 - 4:11	PHILIPPIANS 1:21-end	MATTHEW 20:1-16
1.10.23	EZEKIEL 18:1-4,25-end	PHILIPPIANS 2:1-13	MATTHEW 21:23-32



23rd September 2023



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Minister's Letter

As I write, Parliament is not sitting. But when MPs and Peers return from their holidays, they will have to conclude their consideration of the Online Safety Bill. In many respects this is a welcome piece of legislation, which will update the law to regulate the big tech companies who facilitate all the varied activities which go on online these days. It will obviously be good if they have a legal duty to remove content which is illegal and could be harmful to those who stumble upon it while looking for something else.

But there is one very controversial issue which our legislators will need to resolve before the bill becomes law. Charities and others concerned with online grooming of children want the law to force the tech companies to be able to access private messages from offenders. But many popular apps encrypt such messages so that only the sender and recipient can see them. Unlike emails, these messages are so secure even the tech firms themselves cannot read them. The tech firms, and privacy campaigners, argue that these privacy functions offer extra protection to victims of domestic abuse, journalists who need to protect the identity of whistleblowers, and activists campaigning against oppressive regimes. If the tech firms build in a "back door" to their software to aid the investigation of child abuse, it will simultaneously threaten the security of other people.

From the age of six or seven, I walked the half mile to my primary school alone. There was a lollipop man to see me across a main road, but otherwise my journey to school was unsupervised. My parents decided I would be safe because I knew how to cross minor roads safely, and understood that I should never get into a car with an adult I didn't know, nor accept sweets from strangers. They were no doubt grateful for the lollipop man, but otherwise took responsibility for making sure I could protect myself from traffic dangers and stranger danger.

Is it too much to expect today's parents to protect their children from dangers online? Surely they should know what apps they have on their phones, and how they are using them, just as my parents prevented me from watching television they deemed unsuitable when I was young. Shouldn't it be down to parents to educate their youngsters in the dangers of communicating online with people whom they have never met in person, who could be entirely different from who they say they are?

So on this very difficult issue of privacy versus accessibility of private messages, I think I am on the side of the tech companies and the privacy campaigners. What do you think?

Ian Parker

From the Registers

Baptisms:

Bonnie Elizabeth Wren Law at Ennerdale on 13th August

Funerals:

• Patricia Mary Bruce, aged 76, at Lamplugh on 8th August

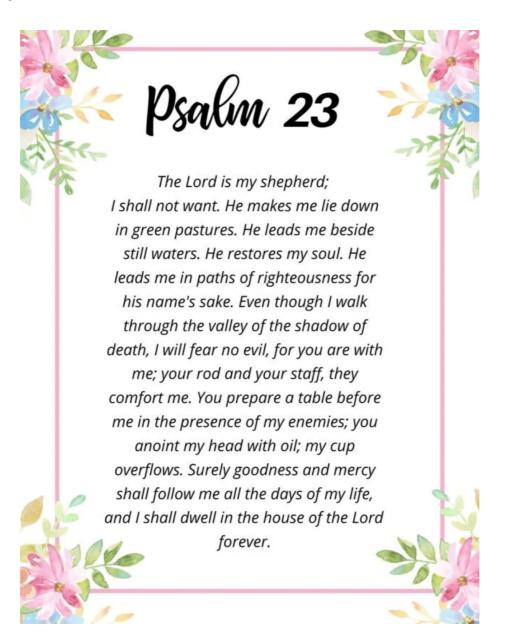
The Lord is my Shepherd

A short article submitted by Mary Johnson

The Lord is my shepherd. These are words we all know well, but why a shepherd? Why not a baker or a farmer?

One day chatting to a shepherd who had spent his whole working life on the fells and hills he recalled one winter when the snow was so bad it covered the whole flock except for their ears so the rescue operation began. "We nearly found them all and brought three hundred and ninety-nine safely home" he said. He bit his lower lip for a moment and said, "But we never found that last one." The shepherd still felt keenly the loss of one of his sheep. That is why the Lord is our shepherd.

You can read the story of "The lost sheep" in the bible in St Matthew chapter 18 verses 12 - 13



Editor's Note - September 2023

The irony of my previous "Editor's Note", where I commented on how much of a lovely summer we seemed to be having, is not lost on me. We've had a tough few months of poor weather and the sun seems to be an infrequent visitor at the moment. All I can say is "please don't shoot the messenger!"

Despite the rain, we have lots going on at this time of year and I hope everyone can find something of interest to take part in. One recent highlight has been the community "Ennerdale & Kinniside Big Picnic", organised by Diana Stewart, which raised £500! Photos and a short report elsewhere in these pages. Also raising the standards of entertainment is the recent sell-out concert at the new Lamplugh Village Hall, which sounded like a fantastic evening, and it is well worth reviewing the full report later in this edition, and going online to check out future events.

Do look out for news about other interesting events around the parish - an **Eco Church Event** at **St. Paul's, Frizington**; a **Harvest Coffee Morning** coming up at the **Kirkland Mission**; and plenty of activities at **The Gather** in Ennerdale, including live music, some interesting talks and a film showing! More details for all these and more are noted elsewhere in these pages.

And if all that isn't enough, then do also check out the enclosed flyer from **Ennerdale CofE Primary School**, who have some interesting events coming up in September and October.

Take your pick from a "**Proms in the Playground**" on the 22nd September, or the "**Scarecrow Festival**" in October, as well as a host of dates for their "**Forest Fridays**" and "**Nursery Afternoons**"!

My thanks as usual to everyone who has contributed to this edition - Reverend Ian Parker, Michael Watts, Julian Berkeley, Mary Johnson, Chris Abbot, and Diana Stewart.

As always, if you have any thoughts on the content or any articles you would like to have published, then do please drop me a line. I look forward to your feedback!

Steve Parker (steve_parker@msn.com)

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Batteries have been an integral part of our lives for pretty much all our lives. Remember those old blue Ever Ready ones that used to go in your bicycle lamp? Well, in those days, when your battery had served its purpose, it went in the bin. Over the years, battery technology has improved and we have a variety of longer-lasting batteries, with a different chemical mix in them, giving a longevity that our parents could only dream of. Of course, we now have a far greater range of appliances in which to pop our AA cells, or AAA, C, D even N and button cells. That means that there are more and more batteries being used, that run out (eventually) and need to be disposed of.

What to do? Do you still chuck them in the bin? Well, the good news is that there's a greener alternative: it's called recycling (lol). First off, why? Well, when batteries end up in landfill, the chemicals they contain (metals like lithium, cobalt, nickel and lead) end up leaking into the environment, harming it and, ultimately, us. Secondly, these are finite resources (in terms of their presence in the ground) but infinitely recyclable – by recycling them we ensure that we don't continually need to return to Planet Earth to plunder more which has another benefit: it keeps the costs of the item down.

So, where can you recycle those ordinary, everyday batteries? Amazingly, your local supermarket is often a good place! Many supermarkets have a battery-shaped container, often by the entrance, into which you simply tip the bag of used batteries you've been collecting; doing that when you do your shopping means two birds, one stone! I know of at least two supermarkets in Whitehaven that have a battery-disposal point. Why not find your best battery recycling destination here: https://www.recycle-more.co.uk/batteries

Julian Berkeley

LAMPLUGH VILLAGE HALL NEWS



WE NEED YOU!



The committee is delighted to report that the new hall is being used on a regular basis by a number of groups including many new clients.

We had our first concert which was attended by more than 70 people who enjoyed a great performance from Burden of Paradise. The rapport between the trio (Snake Davis, Helen Watson and Dave Bowie Jr) and the audience was tangible. We enjoyed an eclectic mix of songs with standout renditions of Queen of Fools, Rain and the Hendrix classic The Wind Cries Mary. The musicianship of Snake, Helen and Dave was outstanding with Snake's virtuoso performances on the soprano, alto and tenor saxes brilliantly complemented by Helen's mesmerising vocals and guitar and Dave's rhythmic double bass.

Our next major concert, at the time of writing, will be in February 2024 when the hall hosts Tim Chu and Ian Bradley (the Simon and Garfunkel duo) – don't miss it!!

The committee is always looking to attract new members or residents who can assist with the running of the hall. With regard to the latter, we ask can you help with the following:

- Organising film nights
- Running coffee mornings
- Window cleaning
- Gardening and keeping the grounds tidy

The committee is organising a 'meet and greet' drop-in session on **Saturday 7th October** at the hall from **1pm to 5pm** when tea, coffee, cake and biscuits will be served. We would love to see you then to chat about the new hall and share your ideas and hopes for this magnificent facility.

Full details for all clubs, societies and their activities are listed on the Village Hall website.

For further details about any events or hiring of the hall, please contact **Mark Stevens** on **07543 876490** or by email at **marklyh@yahoo.com**.

Six Little Stories with Lots of Meanings

Submitted by Chris Abbot

- (1) Once all the villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one came with an umbrella. That is FAITH.
- (2) When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That is TRUST.
- (3) Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but we set the alarm to wake up. That is HOPE.
- (4) We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That is CONFIDENCE.
- (5) We see the world suffering, but still, we get married and have children. That is LOVE.
- (6) On an old man's shirt was written a sentence, "I am not 80 years old; I am 16 with 64 years of experience!" That is ATTITUDE.

Have a happy day and live your life like these six stories. Remember – good friends are the rare jewels of life, difficult to find and impossible to replace!



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Ennerdale & Kinniside Big Picnic

Diana Stewart writes:



Thank you to all who helped make the "Ennerdale & Kinniside Big Picnic" a success!

The sun came out to shine on us for the afternoon and we had a great turnout from the local community, listening to our favourite tunes and catching up with friends old and new!

We raised £500 for the Ennerdale community's Christmas celebrations this year, which will be held in Bridge Park in December, with carols and the lighting of the Christmas Tree.

A huge "Thank You" goes to Will Rawlings, Ned Lister, Tys Garnett, Dave Whitfield, and Hamish Fraser, as well as the many other helpers and volunteers who made the afternoon possible.

Electricity North West - Extra Care Register

Electricity North West (ENWL), who provide the network infrastructure to supply electricity in our region, have renamed their "Priority Services register". This is now called the "**Extra Care register**", and its purpose remains the same as before - to provide additional help and assistance to those households in need during a power cut. *If you've already signed up, don't worry, you don't need to do anything extra.*

To find out more, and to register if you are eligible, please see https://www.enwl.co.uk/power-cuts/extra-care/our-extra-care-register/

And don't forget to check with your neighbours, who may not be able to use this website - they may appreciate the extra help too.

Ennerdale and Kinniside Parish Council

Councillor Role Updates

At the 18th July PC meeting the roles and sub committee memberships were fully populated. These are as follows:

Name	Role	Sub Committee Membership
Julian Thursz	Chair	Staffing
Steve Parker	Vice Chair	Complaints Parish Enhancement
Jane Coltman	Clerk	
Sandra Guise	Councillor	Staffing
Richard Maxwell	Councillor	Complaints
Ric Outhwaite	Councillor	
Nancy Rowson	Councillor	
Paul Rowson	Councillor	Complaints
Beth Wright	Councillor	Staffing Parish Enhancement

Parking Charges at Bowness Knott

The Parish Council have resolved to write to Forestry England regarding the insufficient consultation and lack of consideration over the introduction of parking charges.

Wild Ennerdale

Rachel Oakley (Wild Ennerdale) and Neil Thirkell (National Trust Lead Ranger, West Lakes) gave a short update covering topics relating to Forestry England operations, the introduction of Car Parking Charges at Bowness Knott, the planning application for a telecommunications mast at Cat Crag in Ennerdale valley, species introduction plans, Ennerdale's new National Nature Reserve status, as well as a short update on the work of the WE volunteers group.

A full copy of this update is available as an appendix to the Parish Council Minutes of 18th July.

Dates for the next meetings:

- 7th November 2023
- 16th January 2024
- 19th March 2024
- 21st May 2024

EandK Parish Council Website: https://www.eandkpc.co.uk
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First Tuesdays at The Gather



With Judith Wildwood



A series of informal monthly meetings on the - yes, you guessed it! - First Tuesday of each month, starting on **Tuesday, 3rd October** at **7pm** at The Community Room, The Gather, Ennerdale Bridge.

We will look at the changing role of women over the last 50 years, focusing on aspects of life typical of this rural area. Themes will include "Women and Farming", "Women in Healthcare", Women and Education".

Each meeting will combine a short introductory talk followed by the opportunity to discuss our lived experiences and recollections.

Whilst more obviously of interest to women of all ages, all interested gentlemen are welcome!

The October session, led by me, Judith Wildwood, will be a general overview of women's place in society 50 years ago.

For more information and / or to register your interest, please contact me!

Judith Wildwood - phone/text: 07515 469073 or email: wildwoodjude@gmail.com

Kirkland has a new Royal Mail Postbox!



For those of us still relying on regular mail, the availability and location of postboxes (and, indeed, collection times) is of great importance! I was somewhat discombobulated recently to find the Kirkland postbox had disappeared from its usual location opposite Ghyll Housyll House!

However, a short search and an informative email from Graeme Cameron alerted me to its new location beside the signpost at the crossroads. Graeme even sent through a photo to prove it!

Graeme is a local photographer and can be contacted on **01946 861273** / **07763 806168** or via email at **glc007@btopenworld.com**



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- Fridays 8,15,22,29 Tai Chi 10.30am
- · Fridays Ballet for Adults 6pm
- Saturdays 2nd, 9th, 30th & Sunday 24th Yin Yoga
- Saturday 9th 47 Merry Neet 7pm 44
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- Lamplugh & District Sports Committee, £450, to support the annual Sports Day and Christmas Party.
- Lamplugh with Ennerdale Parochial Church Council, £750, towards maintenance of St Michael's churchyard.
- 217 Bus Group, £600, towards the cost of running the service.
- Kirkland Children's Playground, £750, to support maintenance and insurance costs.
- Lamplugh Village Hall Committee, £2,500. Councillors agreed to make a donation significantly higher than requested to provide additional support in the first year of operation of the new village hall.

Planning Matters

Your Parish Council is a statutory consultee on all planning applications in the parish. As councillors we aim to act in the best interest of parishioners and ensure planning policies are properly applied. We would encourage parishioners to contact us with any feedback they have on planning applications within the parish so that we can take these opinions into account in any submissions we make to Cumberland Council.

Defibrillators

LPC has purchased and installed a defibrillator at 1 Wheatsheaf Cottages, Kirkland for use in an emergency and is supporting the Village Hall Committee in installing a unit at Lamplugh Village Hall. The nature of the parish, widely spread with small pockets of population, is such that we wish to identify other locations to install further units, Crossgates has been identified as the next target location.

Highways

- Traffic Lights we are pleased to have succeeded in getting the 'temporary' Fitz Bridge
 traffic lights removed. This was one of several initiatives, please refer to General Meeting
 Minutes, that have resulted from a face/face meeting with highways, this is an approach
 which we plan to maintain to address highways issues.
- Bus Shelter the site of the bus shelter which was damaged in a road traffic accident, has been cleared. Considering the level of use, cost of replacement and ongoing maintenance liabilities councillors have not yet committed to replacing the shelter with an alternative structure and would welcome input from parishioners.

Future Meetings

- 7:00pm Wednesday 27th September, Lamplugh Village Hall
- 7:00pm Wednesday 22nd November, Lamplugh Village Hall

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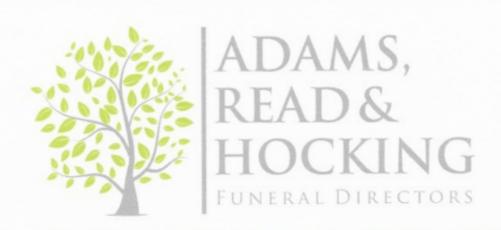
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30th August	115th Ennerdale Show @ The Leaps	
September 2023		
3rd September	9am St Mary's, Ennerdale: Holy Communion 11:00am Kirkland Mission: Cafe Church	
5th September	2pm Kirkland Mission: "First Tuesday at 2"	
10th September	9am St Michael's Lamplugh: Holy Communion 11:00am Kirkland Mission: Holy Communion 2 p.m 5 p.m. Mission Community Creation Tide Event at St Paul's Frizington.	
17th September	9am St Mary's, Ennerdale: Holy Communion 11:00am Kirkland Mission: Service of the word 2.00pm Kirkland Mission: Messy Church	
24th September	9am St Michael's Lamplugh: Holy Communion 11:00am Kirkland Mission: Holy Communion (Informal)	
October 2023		
1st October	9am St Mary's, Ennerdale: Holy Communion Harvest 11:00am Kirkland Mission: All age service for Harvest	
3rd October	2pm Kirkland Mission: "First Tuesday at 2"	
7th October	10:30am Kirkland Mission: Harvest Coffee morning	
20th August	9am St Michael's Lamplugh: Holy Communion Harvest 11:00am Kirkland Mission: Holy Communion 7:00pm St Michael's Lamplugh: Blessing of the Plough service	



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