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*for the Seatallan Benefice*  
*Gosforth & Wasdale*  
*Beckermet, Calderbridge & Seascale*



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## FROM THE SEATALLAN PARISH REGISTERS

Occasional Offices conducted between  
the 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 2025 to the 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025

### BECKERMET

- No occasional Offices known

### CALDER BRIDGE, PONSONBY and OLD CHURCH

- 14<sup>th</sup> Feb Funeral and Burial Ernest Fearon
- 14<sup>th</sup> Feb Interment of Ashes Eugenie Fearon

### SEASCALE

- No Occasional Offices known

### GOSFORTH, NETHER WASDALE and WASDALE HEAD

- 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan Funeral and burial Elaine Meeks Nether Wasdale
- 14<sup>th</sup> Feb Interment of Ashes Michael Holbrook Gosforth
- 28<sup>th</sup> Feb Funeral and burial Joan Lomas Gosforth

## EXPRESSIONS

A while ago, I was out walking with my family in the South Lakes. All of a sudden, the dog barked, and bolted towards a line of mature Lawson Cypress trees that were planted along the edge of a piece of Forestry Commission woodland. He was in hot pursuit of a grey squirrel which skipped up the tree, and disappeared into the thicket of Lawson branches. When we caught up, we found the dog jumping up and down helplessly, barking up a tree with no squirrel in it....and, as we watched, a light went on simultaneously in all of our heads.... *'so that is where the expression comes from!'*

Expressions form a wonderfully rich part of our, equally wonderful, language, don't they? When I worked as a wood cutter, we would occasionally find old saw pits in the woods, where my more elderly work mates would enjoy telling me stories about 'top-dogs' and 'under-dogs', and what a real day's work must have felt like in the 'good old days'.

There are so many expressions aren't there? My Dad used to enjoy using them to put me back in my place....he would say: *'Philip....it's one thing to be as cool as a cucumber....but quite another to be as green!'*.....and, as I groaned, and muttered something teenage back, he would stomp off, usually saying something like: *'You're so sharp you'll cut yourself.'*

For most of us, life can often seem like one long struggle to express ourselves and to be properly understood. The things we say are often misinterpreted, and when this happens – as we all know – we have to make a choice as to whether we are going to *'ride the storm out'*, or *'weigh anchor'* and *'sail into the sunset'*.....or indeed, whether we are going to *'take it on the chin'* and *'eat some humble pie.'* I used to work with a man who was habitually in trouble with his partner. Each day, he would mount his bike at four o'clock, and his parting shot would often be *'tongue pie and chicken's lips for tea then'*... as he made his way home to his loved ones.

By the time this copy of the magazine is out, we will be well on our way through Lent and heading towards Holy Week and the excitement of Easter Day. And of course, this pilgrimage is all about facing ourselves, and admitting that sometimes we fail to understand each other; we say things that are misconstrued, we don't forgive one another very easily... and perhaps worst of all...because of the frustration of all this...when we are in private, we often lash out at the failings of other people as if we were perfect! It's not very nice really. But there is a way out for the brave...

In the biblical story of the woman caught in adultery, a group of men turn on a woman who has been '*caught in the act*'. They decide to put the woman to death by stoning her, and - famously - Jesus steps in to save her... both from the men... and from the destructive patterns of behaviour that have governed her life up until that point. He disarms her accusers by forcing them to face themselves, and answer the question: '*Are they perfect?*' Then Jesus sets the woman free. He makes it clear to her, that, what she has done can never be right, and must be left completely behind, if she is to find 'release' and a new life. He then writes in the sand as he does all this.

I like to think that the expression '*to draw a line in the sand*' comes from Jesus' act on that day. Why?... well, it helps me to remember that this is how God deals with my mistakes... and heaven knows I make plenty... so many in fact, that I feel very confident, that I could repeat most of them almost without trying! For me, Lent is such a good time to watch Jesus as he stoops to draw lines in the sand for us all.

Happy Easter when it comes!  
Philip

## **SOUTH CALDER MISSION COMMUNITY PRAYERS**

These continue to take place on Zoom every Thursday morning at 9.30am and last about 20 minutes. Everyone is welcome to join us. Please contact Jonathan Falkner on 01946 721852 for an invitation on Zoom.



## **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.





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## **GOSFORTH PARISH CHURCH MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The last meeting of the Management Committee was held on Tuesday 4th March, 2025 at which it was reported that finances are worrying. The level of 'Giving' coming in to Church is showing a 10% decrease on last years' figures. Unfortunately, this is not keeping in line with the rate of inflation. If you are in the position of being able to increase your regular giving, or indeed if you would like to make any donations, it would be extremely helpful and we would be very grateful. Please contact our Church Wardens for more information.

The Churchyard wall on the Denton Park side has been re-built and the bamboo re-moved. We also had to deal with a fallen tree after the recent storms and would like to thank all those who helped complete this promptly and safely. The Committee are currently looking for Contractors who could carry out repairs and maintenance to the roof. This is proving to be challenging and we would welcome suggestions of suitable contractors.

We have also been making alterations to St Mary's Rooms. These have taken longer than anticipated and thank all for your patience. We hope to have these completed sometime in the Summer.

We are currently planning 2 'Boon Days' this year to keep your Church and Churchyard neat and tidy. Your help with these would be very welcome, please look out for dates in the next magazine.

The Baby and Toddler Group are continuing to hold their weekly meetings in St Mary's Rooms under the leadership of Heather Charalambous. She has reported that, although numbers are fluctuating, she believes this is still an essential group, as parents need to know they have a place to go that's safe, warm and welcoming.

It was agreed to move the Sunday morning Services at St Mary's back into church from Mothering Sunday (30<sup>th</sup> March). Also, please note the start for the Mothering Sunday Benefice Service will be at the earlier time of 10.30 am. All other Sunday morning services will be at the usual time of 11am.

The next meeting of the Management Committee is to be held on Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> April at 4pm in St. Mary's Room.

*Susan Round (Clerk to Committee)*



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# ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETINGS

Thanks to everyone in the Benefice for completing the Electoral Roll Forms, which had to be handed in by 24<sup>th</sup> March. If you missed the date, you can be added later.

The 2025 APCMs in the Seatallan Benefice will be held on the follow dates, except for Calderbridge and Ponsonby who had theirs on 11<sup>th</sup> March:

Seascale – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 2.00pm in St Cuthbert's Church  
Gosforth and Wasdale – Tue. 15<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in St Mary's Room  
Beckermet – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April in St John's Church

All residents in the Parishes are welcome to attend to elect Churchwardens for the coming year, but only those on the Church Electoral Roll can vote to elect the Parochial Church Council members, who manage the overall running of the parish.

If you would like to serve the parish as a Churchwarden or a member of the Parochial Church Council, please contact Philip Dorling or one of the churchwardens for an application form. Each church in the parish has its own Management Committee, appointed at the APCM, for the day to day running of each individual church.



## EASTER FLOWERS IN GOSFORTH CHURCH

Easter Sunday is on 20<sup>th</sup> April this year, so we will be decorating the church for Easter on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April at 10am and would welcome as many people as possible to come along to help – you don't have to be an expert! Coffee, tea and cakes provided for helpers.

If you would like to contribute towards the cost of Easter lilies in memory of a loved one, could you please let me have your donation and I will be happy to purchase them.

Many thanks.



*Ann McKenzie (25700)*

## **LENT COURSE 2025**

### **Six Prophets in search of a Messiah**

A series of short bible studies, with time for discussion, ending with the short service of Compline.

Thursday Evenings at 7.30 pm in St Mary's Room, Gosforth until Easter

**ALL WELCOME**



## **EASTER CELEBRATION**

**MORNING COFFEE / AFTERNOON TEA**

**10 - 12 noon**

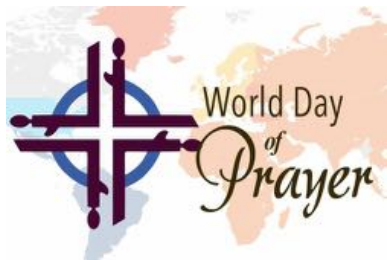
**2 - 4 pm**

**Norma invites you to  
New Hallsteads, Wellington, Gosforth  
on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April**

**There will be an Easter Raffle and a  
Bring & Buy Stall**

**Money raised will go towards the upkeep of  
Gosforth Church & Churchyard  
Everyone from the Benefice welcome.**

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE 2025



The Christian women of the Cook Islands gave us a beautiful, warm and homely service for our worship this year. St Mary's Room was full of music, flowers and friendly fellowship and lovely home-made refreshments! I think we all came away feeling a real connection with the people of those far-away small islands in the Pacific.

Special thanks to the ecumenical committee who had worked so hard to make it a wonderful and memorable occasion.

The theme of the service was based on Psalm 139 which expresses the wonder and awe we feel when we really think about the amazing beauty and complexity of human life within God's creation. At this time, when it seems that the human race is being led by mad-men and our world seems fragile or even broken, it was a truly humbling and healing experience to be taken into the minds and hearts of the Christian women of the Cook Islands.

Here is one of the many beautiful prayers expressing their deep faith:

*Magnificent God, we are in awe of you. We give you glory because of who you are: the Creator of the entire world. You created the beautiful Cook Islands: the fertile lands, the mountains and the oceans. You created beauty in every part of the world. You created roosters on the land and whales in the sea. You formed us human beings; we are fearfully and wonderfully made in your image. All creation reveals your majestic glory. Amen.*

*Mary Moody  
Gosforth Methodist Congregation*

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

This will take place in St Mary's Room on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** – always the first Thursday of the month! Do come along and join us. As usual the chat will be good and the cakes delicious, as always! This month donations will go to Safe Families, following their talk at the Mothering Sunday service.



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## APRIL 2025

The April meeting is at 2pm in Seascale Methodist Hall on **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April** for a talk by Allison Hanshaw on her recent visit to Australia. Those who need transport please phone Mary on 27641 or Norma on 25366. Everybody welcome, you don't have to be a MU member.

**April Prayer:** Heavenly Father, we come before you with hearts of gratitude and praise for the wondrous way love blooms in our lives. In the gentle whispers of kindness, in the warmth of fellowship, and in the selfless acts of service, we see your love reflected. May we be vessels of your love, spreading kindness and compassion wherever we go. Amen

### PRAYER TOPICS – Please pray for:

- The contribution and commitment of MU's four million or so members as they aim to be effective witnesses for Christ and strive to end poverty, injustice and violence.
- The MU literacy projects working in communities both in the UK and abroad where adults can't read and write, for the those doing the teaching and for those such as Sengi Mulusou in the Democratic Republic of Congo, whose life has been changed by one of these projects.
- As the countryside and gardens bloom with the freshness of Spring, give thanks for the beauty which surrounds us in this area and pray for all who work on the land to maintain it and care for the animals on it.
- In this month of April, which includes World Autism Day on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and World Heritage Day on the 18<sup>th</sup>, pray for all families living with an autistic person, the people themselves as they struggle with a different take on our world, and the educators who work in the special schools to develop their skill and behaviour. Give thanks for the heritage artefacts etc which give us a sense of continuity and our place in history, thinking especially of many of the church buildings and their artefacts in this mission community.
- At the start of a new holiday season pray for the MU project giving 'Away From it All' holidays in the Caravan at St Bees, for those maintaining the caravan and its contents, those recommending people for the holiday and, above all, for the young families with disadvantaged backgrounds who holiday there.

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# *St Olaf's, Wasdale Head*

*faith in the fells*

## **APRIL SERVICES AT ST OLAF'S**

**PALM SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> April – 11am The Road to Calvary** – the story of Christ's Passion from Palm Sunday until Good Friday in words and music.

**EASTER SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> April – Festival Holy Communion**

**SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> April – 11am Morning Worship**

*Sundays 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> April – 9.30am service at Nether Wasdale church.*

It's great to have three services at St Olaf's in April. Carolyn is leading our special **Palm Sunday** service when in words and music the story of Christ's Passion unfolds. This is backed up with 14 Station of the Cross – the Jenny Hawke art installation which will be on display at St Olaf's for the weeks either side of Easter. On **Easter Sunday** we welcome Rev Rachel Cunliffe who will be leading our Festival Holy Communion. We complete the 'trinity' with Rosalind leading us in Morning Worship on the **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April**.

**NUMBERS UP** – The first three months of 2025 have seen better weather than last year, but the difference doesn't quite explain why St Olaf's is experiencing such a remarkable increase in visitor numbers – up 160% at the date this magazine went to press. It is good that 'quiet season' visitor numbers are growing in the Lake District, particularly if it eases summer pressures a little.

**RESTORATION** – We are closing in on the restoration funding target (£210,000) and at the time of writing there is a chance that we can reach it by the end of May – in time to authorise the work to begin in the late summer. Otherwise it will go ahead in the spring of 2026. Growing visitor numbers have been a huge help and we are bowled over by the generosity of so many. We are so grateful.

**PANEL DISPLAYS** – we now have a series of different panel displays to span the year, designed to inspire and inform as part of our faith in the fells mission. In March we invested in a set of larger A2 panel holders (replacing A3 panels), to enhance the displays. They have been devised and designed by Carolyn and beautifully printed by Pauline Bailey at Barneys Print Shop. The displays feature up to 10-14 panels spread along the north and south walls.

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## NEWS FROM SEASCALE

### Wednesday Afternoon Outreach

Our April Tea and Chat will be on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2.30pm. We wish all the members who are no longer able to join us for meetings a Happy Easter.

### Tea Services

At the February Tea Service, we enjoyed a look forward to spring with Revd. Dr. Kilworth Mason.

Please note our April Tea Service will be a week later than usual, due to Holy Week, on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April and will be led by Brian Pateman.

All are welcome at these services.

### Copeland Crafters for Ukraine - Coffee Morning held on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March

This proved to be the busiest coffee morning we have ever hosted! It was truly wonderful to see so many people in the church hall. The One Hundredth Blanket, knitted in the colours of the Ukraine flag, was on display and much admired, as were all the other lovely blankets that were displayed.

We give thanks that the great amount of £1,750 was raised for the charity.

### Easter Fair - Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April - 10am -12noon - Seascale Methodist Church Hall

#### Supporting Cumbria Agricultural Chaplaincy

There will be various stalls including a raffle and the ever-popular chocolate tombola. Proceeds from some of the stalls will be for the Cumbria Agricultural Chaplaincy; others will be supporting different causes. Please come along and support this charity which plays a vital role in the well-being of agricultural workers.

*Jackie Folkes*

## HOSPICE at HOME WEST CUMBRIA

### EASTER COFFEE MORNING

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April – 10 to 12 noon

Seascale Methodist Church Hall

Harps out West will be playing





### **World Day of Prayer.**

A wonderful very well attended service in St Mary's Room, Gosforth. Thank you to everyone who came along and took part in making our contribution to this vast wave of prayer on 7<sup>th</sup> March. We concluded the service with a lively version of a popular song from the Cook Islands, "God loves me" - about fifty people singing this song with actions was something to behold!

### **Lent Lunches in Seascale.**

18<sup>th</sup> March, 1<sup>st</sup> April in the Methodist Hall

25<sup>th</sup> March, 8<sup>th</sup> April in St Joseph's - all on Tuesdays from 12 noon – 1.00 pm

Everyone very welcome to a soup, bread and cheese lunch. Donations will go to Christian Aid and Cafod.

### **Messy Church**

Our March Messy Church was on the theme "Looking forward to Easter". It was lovely to welcome three families, who had not experienced Messy Church before, coming to enjoy the activities reminding us of the Easter story. Some of the activities we had were - making palm trees with fruit, painting crosses and sowing Easter gardens with seeds.

We "galloped" through the Easter story, sang and then made our own sandwich lunch!

We hope everyone enjoyed the time together and will remind themselves of the events of the first Easter when reading the book they were given to take away.

Watch out for our May Messy Church date!

*Mary Waterhouse*

## **NEWS FROM CALDERBRIDGE AND PONSONBY**

### **Easter Afternoon Tea** with raffle and tombola

This will be held in the Village Hall Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April at 2.30pm

Admission £7.00

Please come along and join us - everyone welcome.

**Summer Fair** with raffle, tombola, cake stall and more - to be held in the Village Hall Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 2.30pm. Tea £7.00

### **Ponsonby Church Service –**

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April - 9.30am Holy Communion

## BECKERMET COMMUNITY NEWS

The beautiful spring flowers are certainly giving us a magnificent show in the various areas of the village. The riverbank across from the park is full of snowdrops and crocuses giving us a wonderful show of colours. As well as these two wonderful spring flowers we have also been blessed with the annual displays of daffodils in different areas of the village.

None of these wonderful displays would be possible today without someone in the past planting all the various bulbs over many years. To further improve our village last year a group of enthusiastic volunteers banded together to, not only plant more bulbs, but also work many hours tidying up various areas of the village. All this work was undertaken to enter Cumbria-in-Bloom and all their efforts paid off as they gained a silver award whilst improving the appearance of the community we live in. This year they are once again entering and hoping to go one further by gaining gold. With this in mind, they are once again looking to get as many, if not more, volunteers to assist in their strive towards gold. If you are interested in helping then keep a look out for requests on the village Facebook pages or contact Claire Dunn or myself.

We hope that the Reading Rooms will be re-opening in time for “**The Mustangs**” playing live on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April. With a further grant obtained through the generosity of the GDF the limited space at the front of the premises will be altered to enable better access to the building. This will include removal of some of the sandstone walls, installing an electrical disabled lift and putting in patio doors in place of the first window, and includes the creation of an outdoor seating area.

**Coffee Cake & Chat** will be in St John’s Church Beckermets at their normal Tuesday mornings 9.30-11.30am; & Thursday afternoons 1.30-3.30pm.

(A portaloos will be placed at the side of the church as per last time.)

No charge for refreshments but donations always welcome.

**Quiz & Bingo Evenings** will be held in Beckermets School Hall, thanks to the cooperation of the school headteacher.

**Quiz Night - 11<sup>th</sup> April**      **Bingo - 28<sup>th</sup> March.** This clashes with one planned as a fund-raising event for the school, so we have agreed to ask our members to come along and support the school to help raise some extra funds for school use. Please come along and make this not only an enjoyable night but also a profitable one for school funds. This is an opportunity to help raise funds for both your local school and church, both of which are a vital asset at the centre of our community.

## **St John's Church Services**

All services are now back in church at the usual time of 9.30am followed by refreshments. Hopefully the weather will be kind and not too cold but, as the heating problem has not been resolved, I suggest you come dressed appropriately for the weather conditions. The problems of heating the church, along with other pressing repairs and improvements, are being addressed by the members of the PCC who are in the process of trying to raise funds. We are in the early stages of obtaining a potential grant which will greatly help us achieve our aims.

## **St John's Soup Lunches**

There won't be a soup lunch in April as the Reading Rooms are still likely to be closed, so the next Soup Lunch will be **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May** at the usual time of 12 – 1.30pm. Excellent value at £6 per head which includes a bowl of soup or two even, home-made cake, plus tea/coffee. A great way to meet up with friends or even make new ones.

## **Monthly Film Nights** in the Reading Rooms

Fridays 26<sup>th</sup> April, 16<sup>th</sup> May and 14<sup>th</sup> June.

These cinema evenings are free for all to attend so why not come along and enjoy a free night out and have a drink, as the bar will be open to purchase refreshments, including alcohol.

## **Open Mic Night** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month.

For local musicians to come along and play for enjoyment and entertain those who attend. Free entry and bar open.

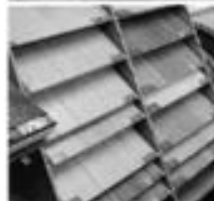
**Village Lottery** This continues with each monthly draw taking place at around 10am on the first Tuesday of each month during Coffee, Cake and Chat sessions. The next two draws will take place on April 1<sup>st</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup> so if you want to join there is still time. At present we have just over 170 members which provides over £2,000 in Prize Money during the year with the same amount available for good causes in the village. Individuals and groups can apply for financial support. If you would like to join use the contact details below.

Please check **Beckermets Reading Rooms** or **Beckermets Village Facebook** pages for more information.

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## BECKERMET SCHOOL NEWS

We can't believe how quickly the Easter holidays are coming! The children in Year 6 are working really hard getting ready for SATs in May and are looking forward to their break. The whole school had a pyjama day to celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Each class did some beautiful English and Art work based on "In Our Hands" by Lucy Farfort. We chose it because it was a book all about hope which ties in perfectly with our theme for Lent. In the book, all the colour gradually disappears from our world. The children discussed their thoughts and emotions around this and what they would do to bring hope back for everyone. Their work was very reflective and thought-provoking. We all ended the day in the hall sharing our favourite books with each other...a perfect way to celebrate our love of reading.

We've had another exciting week thinking about Science! KS2 really enjoyed doing their astronaut training with Tim Peake in a BBC live lesson on Monday morning, while EYFS and KS1 enjoyed learning all about animals on the farm.

Our Beckermets Working Bees have been very busy too. They're hosting a cake sale on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March to help raise awareness of Downs Syndrome and we will all be 'rocking our socks' that day too.

*Susan Alderson – Senior Teacher*

### **MINIBUS SHOPPING SERVICE Gosforth – Seascale**

Following the fire at the village shop, Gosforth Parish Council has arranged for a temporary 8-seater minibus service from Gosforth to Seascale. The minibus service is **free** to Gosforth residents and will operate on a first-come, first-served basis.

New pick-up points have been added to the service which operates on **Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday** as follows:

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| Gosforth Car Park       | 9.30 am  |
| Ellerslie Park entrance | 9.35 am  |
| Meadowfield entrance    | 9.40 am  |
| Return from Seascale    | 10.40 am |

**Gosforth Parish Council wishes to thank the Mid-Copeland GDF  
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Or contact [smithybrow@icloud.com](mailto:smithybrow@icloud.com) or 07817499849



**Visitors are very welcome to attend a couple of meetings or activities before becoming a member.**

Current annual membership is £7 There is usually a small charge for indoor meetings.

**Cycling** - 1<sup>st</sup> Monday morning monthly – meet Gosforth

**Tai Chi** - Mondays - weekly Gosforth Public Hall

**Chair based exercises** - Wednesdays - weekly Gosforth Public Hall

**Folk Dancing** - Friday afternoon weekly - Gosforth Public Hall - 2pm

**Ukelele** - 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday morning - House group

**French conversation** - Wednesday morning weekly - The Kellbank - currently full

**History** - 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday morning - monthly - Drigg Village Hall

**Indoor Bowls** - Wednesday afternoon - weekly - Pre booking essential. See website for details

**Foundation recorder** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday afternoon - monthly - Santon Village Hall

**Singing for Fun** - 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday afternoon monthly - Seascale Methodist Church

**Strolling** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday afternoon - monthly

**Discussion** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday morning - monthly - House group

**Art Appreciation** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday morning - monthly - St Joseph's Seascale

**Advanced Recorder Consort** - 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday afternoons - Santon Village Hall

**Intermediate Recorder** - 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday mornings - Santon Village Hall

**Family History** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday morning – monthly – Santon Village Hall

**IT Drop In** - Wednesdays - monthly - 4- 5 pm - Gosforth Library – check website for dates

**Open Mind** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday morning - monthly - Gosforth Public Hall

**Chatty Lunch** - often 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday morning to follow Open Mind - Gosforth Public Hall

**Discovery** - 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday afternoon - monthly – St Mary's Room, Gosforth

**Reading** - 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday morning - monthly - currently full – St Mary's Room, Gosforth

**Out and About** - dates vary – check website

**Theatre visits** - dates vary – check website

## GOSFORTH SCHOOL NEWS



Following our work on the Send my Friend to School campaign we had a visit from local MP, Josh McAllister. Send my Friend to School are a UK civil society coalition which brings together young people, politicians, teachers and the media in joint campaigning to demand quality education for all children across the globe. School Crew met with Josh and handed him a letter to take to Parliament.

The theme for Safer Internet Day this year was 'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online'. Each class completed an age-appropriate activity to raise their awareness of the scams that they might come across online.

School has been very busy with students in recent weeks. We welcomed two Year 10 students from West Lakes Academy who were on work experience. We have three students from the University of Cumbria - two first year and one second year. As a school, we feel that it is really important that we can offer places for our future teachers and support them on their journey.

Costumes for World Book Day did not disappoint! The children in Derwent and Loweswater enjoyed a book themed party while the pupils in Key Stage 2 completed the World Book Day Football and Book themed quiz. Staff were also fully involved in the dressing up and we had The Highway Rat, Gangsta Granny and Burglar Bill to name a few.



Our girls in Key Stage 2 took part in the Girls Biggest Football Event. They gathered out on the school field and their afternoon began by holding a minutes silence in memory of 10 year old Poppy Atkinson from Kendal, who tragically lost her life recently, playing the sport she loved.

Year 6 travelled to Muncaster Castle for a Copeland schools Orienteering event. They completed three different courses and had the opportunity to enjoy the gardens and play area.

The theme for this year's Science Week was Change & Adapt. The children watched a live lesson on CBBC to find out what it takes to become an astronaut. The effects of space on our bones was explained, followed by how astronauts manage food and hydration - exploring the challenges of living in space. By the end of the week, they had



completed an 'astronaut training plan,' preparing them for life in space and inspiring them to blast off into the world of science and space exploration.

You may be aware that during the busier summer months, the LDNPA, in conjunction with Wasdale Action Group, have arranged for a shuttle bus to run around Wasdale in an attempt to ease the traffic congestion that occurs in Wasdale. They have named it the 'Wasdale Explorer' and asked the pupils in Year 6 to design a logo which will go on the bus, as well as signage for the bus and all other marketing information including leaflets, timetables, emails, websites etc. Four designs were chosen and sent along to the group to look at.

In February, I celebrated my 25<sup>th</sup> year of teaching at Gosforth C of E Primary School. I can't quite believe it has been that long! I'm lucky to be able to say that I have enjoyed every mi-nute of those 25 years. I now have to face up to the fact that we have children in school of children I used to teach!

*Mrs S Layzell  
Assistant Headteacher*

## GOSFORTH WI



The Gosforth WI will meet on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 at 7.15 pm in Gosforth Public Hall. This month we will be welcoming John Little as speaker, who will tell us about the social upheaval occasioned by the First World War which forever changed the lives of women: well paid jobs in formerly male dominated industries,

shorter skirts and more practical clothing, freedom from the purely domestic sphere. Dr. Little will be selling his novels, including the story of a munitions worker from West Cumbria who made the Devil's porridge.

In recognition of longer days and blooming bulbs, the competition this month will be: a sign of Spring. Light refreshments will be served.

Visitors and new members are always welcome at our events. If you would like to hear about our programme of events for the forthcoming year, please contact the Secretary via: [goforthwicumbria@gmail.com](mailto:goforthwicumbria@gmail.com). We would love to hear from you.

*The Secretary - Gosforth WI*

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## NEWS FROM GADS - GOSFORTH AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY

We have now cast our next major show – Shrek – the musical. Rehearsals are underway and the performances will run for 4 shows between Thursday 26 and Saturday 28 June (with a matinee on Saturday afternoon). More details will follow nearer the time. As ever, we always need and appreciate more help backstage and front of house. So if you would like to get involved in any way, please get in touch.



Hopefully last month you read about our special show which is fast approaching. Our Youth Theatre Group are putting the finishing touches to their first ever show open to the general public - Seussical Jr - a fantastical musical extravaganza. There will only be two performances. The first is for family only on Tuesday 1 April. But the second is on Friday 4 April at 6pm and will be open to members of

the public so please come along and support our youngsters. As it's their first show and to encourage a good attendance, **there will be no charge for admission** but there will be a collection bucket at the end to show your appreciation. This will go towards the (considerable!) royalties to perform the show. If there are seats left, you can just turn up. But to be sure of a seat, please reserve yours through the GADS website or by going straight to [www.ticketsource.co.uk/gadsgosforth](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/gadsgosforth).

For anything GADS, you can visit [www.gads.org.uk](http://www.gads.org.uk) or email [gadsgosforth@gmail.com](mailto:gadsgosforth@gmail.com).

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Monday: 13.00 – 14.30 hrs.

Wednesday: 16.00 – 17.30 hrs.

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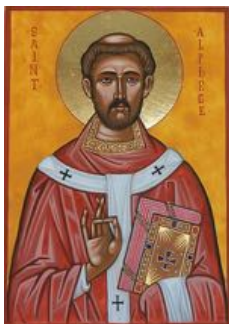
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- Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April - Appleby and Kirkby Stephen - £12.50
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Egremont Farmers Market  
- £3 donation to the market
- Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Cockermouth and Keswick - £9
- Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May – Mystery Trip - £12
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Egremont Farmers Market  
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- Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Solway Coast - £12

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## WEST LAKELAND ROTARY CLUB

In my last report I forgot to mention the very important part played by the Ladies Inner Wheel Group in support of West Lakeland Rotary Club's activities. In particular:

**Pensioners Party:** this year to be held at Calderbridge Village Hall on Saturday 12 April; members of Inner Wheel prepare the sandwiches and cakes for the tea – sufficient for 50-70 persons. It's not that the ladies don't trust the Rotarians to prepare the food, it's just that they know they will make a better job of it!

**Rotating Wheels** rally held on the old Gosforth Show field, this year on Sunday 20 July; the ladies will be found in the large show marquee serving tea, coffee, sandwiches and home-made cakes, as well as serving the hot barbecue food – sausage, bacon etc, one of our main sources of charity income. So, thank you Inner Wheel!

In the last few weeks our Club has been given several inspirational talks at our Tuesday night meetings, including:

**Carer Support West Cumbria:** 2 lady volunteers from this organisation told us how support for those whose lives are restricted because of the need to care for a loved one at home, now applies to all age groups. Previously our club has given financial aid to Young Carer support but our speakers explained how much of their work is directed at other age groups as well. The speakers were well received by our members.

**Civil Construction of the Heysham** CAGR nuclear power station; one of our members, a former civil engineer, gave us a very interesting and detailed account of the challenges and complexities of this major but successful project, the power station is still producing much-needed baseline electricity today.

And, most recently, we had a heart warming account by 2 representatives from the **Rungwe Tanzanian/Copeland Community Link** programme, still running successfully after more than 30 years. Many of our members recalled their own children's involvement in this amazing and valuable project. May it continue to flourish.

*Malcolm Richardson*

## GOSFORTH INDOOR MAT BOWLING CLUB

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**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 2025 are due from 1<sup>st</sup> January. £7 for annual membership and £4 to join a club.

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## HOLY WEEK SERVICES - SEATALLAN BENEFICE

### **Palm Sunday – 13<sup>th</sup> April:**

- 9.30am St John's Beckermest – HC Liturgy of the Palms  
10.30am Seascale Methodist Church Service  
11.00am St Mary's Gosforth – HC Liturgy of the Palms  
11.00am St Olafs Wasdale Head – The Road to Calvary

### **Wednesday - 16<sup>th</sup> April:**

- 7.00pm St Joseph's RC Church, Seascale  
Stations of the Cross

### **Maundy Thursday – 17<sup>th</sup> April:**

- 7.30pm St Mary's Room, Gosforth  
Informal Communion Service

### **Good Friday – 18<sup>th</sup> April**

- 10.30am Walk of Witness from Seascale to Gosforth  
2.00pm St Cuthbert's Seascale - Last Hour at the Cross

### **Easter Day**

- 9.30am St John's Beckermest – Holy Communion  
9.30am St Michael & All Angel's Nether Wasdale – HC  
9.30am St Cuthbert's Seascale – Holy Communion  
11am St Mary's Gosforth – Holy Communion  
11am St Olaf's Wasdale Head – Holy Communion  
6.30pm St Mary's Room Gosforth – Methodist All-age Worship



## 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.

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### ZOOMED SERVICES

**11.00am Service of Holy Communion or Morning Worship** hosted by St Mary's Church, Gosforth. If you would like an invitation to this service please email [stmarys.gosforth.zoom@gmail.com](mailto:stmarys.gosforth.zoom@gmail.com)

### SUNDAY EVENINGS

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Month: St Mary's Room, Gosforth**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday – Informal Worship at 6.30 pm** – Songs/hymns, readings, short talk, discussion and fellowship (with occasional Holy Communion)

**3<sup>rd</sup> 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. *These services are services of Seascale Methodist Church and its Gosforth Methodist congregation, and as such are safeguarded by their safeguarding processes.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month: Faith and Fellowship - 7.00pm at Various Locations.** Please ring Chris on 07768 421621 for details or email [free.c@outlook.com](mailto:free.c@outlook.com) *This group has no formal or legal connection with the Church of England or the Methodist Church in England.*

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month: 7.00pm Phoenix Praise Informal Evening Worship**

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### SUNDAY WRITTEN LITURGY FOR THOSE AT HOME –

**Into His Courts with Praise**

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# SOUTH CALDER MISSION COMMUNITY - APRIL 2025

|                                    | Church                  | Service                     | Time    |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|
| <b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday</b>       |                         |                             |         |
| <b>6<sup>th</sup> April</b>        |                         |                             |         |
| <b>5<sup>th</sup> of Lent</b>      | Nether Wasdale          | HC                          | 9.30    |
| <b>PURPLE</b>                      | Waberthwaite            | HC                          | 9.30    |
|                                    | Seascale                | HC at St Cuthbert's         | 9.30    |
|                                    | Gosforth                | Morning Praise              | 11.00   |
|                                    | Eskdale Boot            | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Whigham                 | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Drigg                   | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Boothle                 | Merry Church                | 1.00    |
|                                    | Gosforth St Mary's Room | Methodist Evening Worship   | 6.30    |
| <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday</b>       |                         |                             |         |
| <b>13<sup>th</sup> April</b>       | Beckermet               | HC                          | 9.30    |
| <b>Palm Sunday</b>                 | Irton                   | HC                          | 9.30    |
| <b>RED</b>                         | Seascale                | Methodist in Methodist Hall | 10.30   |
|                                    | Gosforth                | HC - Church                 | 11.00   |
|                                    | Drigg                   | Family Service              | 11.00   |
|                                    | Eskdale Boot            | MBP                         | 11.00   |
|                                    | Comby                   | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Woodale Head            | The Road to Calvary         | 11.00   |
|                                    | Whigham                 | Passion Service             | 4.00    |
|                                    | Seascale/Beckermet      | Faith and Fellowship        | 7.00    |
| <b>Holy Week</b>                   |                         |                             |         |
| <b>Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> April</b> | Boothle                 | HC                          | 6.00pm  |
|                                    | Boothle                 | Vigil                       | 7.00pm  |
|                                    | Drigg                   | HC                          | 7.00pm  |
| <b>Fri 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>   | Walk of Witness         | Seascale to Gosforth        | 10.30am |
|                                    | Seascale                | Last Hour                   | 2.00pm  |
|                                    | Waberthwaite            | Last Hour                   | 12.00   |
|                                    | Whigham                 | Words from the Cross        | 2.00pm  |
| <b>Sat 19<sup>th</sup> April</b>   | Boothle                 | Easter Flame                | 6.30pm  |
| <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday</b>       |                         |                             |         |
| <b>20<sup>th</sup> April</b>       | Beckermet               | HC                          | 9.30    |
| <b>Easter Day</b>                  | Nether Wasdale          | HC                          | 9.30    |
| <b>WHITE</b>                       | Eskdale Green           | HC                          | 9.30    |
|                                    | Waberthwaite            | HC                          | 9.30    |
|                                    | Seascale                | HC at St Cuthbert's         | 9.30    |
|                                    | Gosforth                | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Drigg                   | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Whigham                 | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Woodale Head            | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Gosforth St Mary's Room | Methodist All-age Worship   | 6.30    |
| <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday</b>       |                         |                             |         |
| <b>27<sup>th</sup> April</b>       | Ponsonby                | HC                          | 9.30    |
| <b>2<sup>nd</sup> of Easter</b>    | Eskdale Boot            | HC                          | 9.30    |
| <b>WHITE</b>                       | Seascale                | Methodist in Methodist Hall | 10.30   |
|                                    | Gosforth                | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Woodale Head            | Morning Worship             | 11.00   |
|                                    | Irton                   | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Drigg                   | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Boothle                 | HC                          | 11.00   |
|                                    | Gosforth St Mary's Room | Rhœnia Evening Worship      | 7.00    |

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