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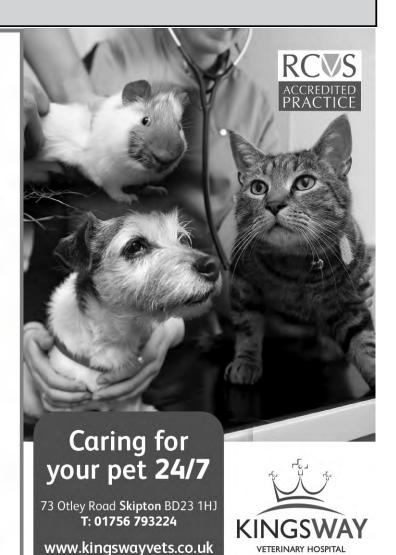


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Shalom

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Many people find Remembrance Sunday profoundly moving. Last year saw the commemoration of the end of the Great War. As the armistice was signed on 11th November 1918, the gunfire ceased, and brought for all practical purposes an end to four years of hostility that had seen the death of 10 million military personnel and 7 million civilians.

But even as the guns fell silent, the terms on which longed-for peace was to be realized remained to be agreed. It took six months of negotiation at the Paris Conference to conclude the

treaty that was supposed to implement that peace, signed at Versailles in June 1919.

One of the most controversial aspects of the treaty was what came to be known as the 'War Guilt' clause. Under its terms, Germany had to accept responsibility on behalf of itself and its allies

for causing all the loss and damage resulting from the war. The treaty also provided for German disarmament, significant territorial concessions and extensive war reparations to be paid to the Allies. Even at the time there were those on the Allied side (notably the economist John Maynard Keynes) who thought these terms were excessively harsh, although that opinion wasn't universally shared. Whatever views people held at the time, it turned out that the Great War was not in fact 'the war to end all wars'. The seeds of the Second World War just two decades

later were sown in the 'peace' of the First.

At the very least, this is about shortsightedness and unintended consequences. Nobody wanted to fight another



war. I trust that the statesmen (and they were men) who sat down together in November 1918 acted in good faith as they tried to secure peace for the benefit of the ordinary people of their

nations. And yet despite all their endeavours, it didn't work out that way.

History shows that peace is often hard-won and fragile. It is profoundly precious. It doesn't come about by accident – it requires commitment and hard work. It's not something that we

can or should take for granted. Peace should be cherished and nurtured.

The Hebrew word translated as 'peace' in the Bible is *shalom*. The prophets spoke a lot about *shalom*. "We call it peace, but it means far more than mere peace of mind or a cease-fire between enemies. In the Bible, shalom means universal flourishing, wholeness and delight – a rich state of affairs in which natural needs are satisfied and natural gifts fruitfully employed, a state of affairs that inspires joyful wonder as its Creator and Saviour opens doors and welcomes the creatures in

whom he delights. Shalom, in other words, is the way things ought to be." (Cornelius Plantinga, Not the way it's supposed to be: a breviary of sin.)

This kind of peace, this *shalom*, is about being in a right relationship with God, with other people, and with wider society.

Sundays On most in Christians church, exchange 'the peace' with each other. We're invited to remember that as God's people, we're called to live in peace with each other. On the surface, it might look like a polite social greeting, as we shake hands with each other. But it's much more profound than that. It's a sign of our commitment to shalom, that flourishing of all creation that is the fruit of right relationships at every level.

Shalom is the hallmark of the kingdom of God, and it can be sought and for. Where people worked about reconciliation and to bring understanding; where they work to heal broken relationships; where they strive for justice and restoration there is shalom. In this season Remembrance. remember with thanks and gratitude all who have given their lives to defend their families, friends and countries. How best can we honour their memories

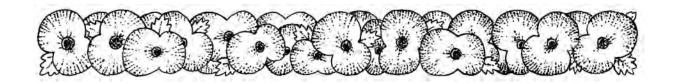
they made? Perhaps by committing to working to the best of our abilities for peace, and to create that shalom in our own lives, with our families,

and the sacrifices that

friends and communities.

With every blessing

Julie



The Pinnacle in Winter

If we follow the normal pattern, the deadline for January will coincide with our Carols by Candlelight service and I will have an unrivalled excuse to dip out of helping to prepare Christmas meals while I wrestle your well-chosen words into the first edition of 2020. Last year's edition was a very slim volume!

We've decided that, like the Summer Edition, we'll do a joint Winter one, to cover the months of December and January. February's edition can be bulging with reports of your Christmas Festivities! You may want to bear this in mind as you prepare your material for the December/January edition next month.

Traidcraft at St Andrew's

There'll be a Traidcraft stall up and running in St Andrew's regularly between now and the end of the year. I've begun to stock some Christmassy biscuits and sweets, so please make sure you come and have a look – and bring some money with you!

I can order sugar and fruit for your Christmas cakes as well – let me know what you want. If you want their "Real Advent Calendar", then please ask me to order one for you. I have a couple to sell now, but I need to order sensibly! I'm hopeful that the catalogues will be in stock soon, too, so you can browse for gifts.

Buying fairly traded goods may cost a penny or two more, but you can be sure that the extra will go to the farmer, not the middle man. We are fortunate indeed to have enough: God challenges us to love our neighbour as ourselves, and this is one small way of doing it. Please support Traidcraft at St Andrew's.

Jill Wright

Who wants change?

There were four people named **Everybody**, **Somebody**, **Anybody**, **Nobody** who wanted change.

Everybody said "I want change".

Somebody said "If only anybody would start to change, I will join."

Nobody said "I will change."

Everybody stayed the same, blaming Somebody

for waiting for **Anybody** to start changing.

So nobody changed.

St Andrew's Messy Church



This term we are holding a Messy Church service on every "third Sunday" in the month.

The November one will be on Sunday 17th November from 2.30–4.30pm.

Messy Church is an opportunity for families to learn about God through craft, stories and singing in a relaxed friendly atmosphere. It lasts for about 2 hours and is suitable for all ages and concludes with refreshments.



Saturday 30th November 10am -Noon

in the Parish Rooms

Bring and buy stall

Cake stall

All proceeds support our work in the community and beyond and help maintain the beautiful Grade I Listed church building.

Looking Forward to Advent

In some ways, at St Andrew's, we start to celebrate the start of a new Ecclesiastical year a day early. St Andrew's Day falls on 30th November and is immediately followed by Advent – that great period of preparation for the great Festival of Christmas.

We begin St Andrew's Day in the Parish Rooms. There's no St Andrew's Fair this year - there is just too much going on for a too-small band of people to organise! Instead, there will be a coffee morning with stalls. You'll see an advertisement for it opposite.

In the evening, there will be a Festival Eucharist. We're delighted to welcome back our Area Bishop, Bishop Toby Howarth for this service where he'll be both



preaching and presiding. This will be a lovely way to celebrate our special day – and to meet with Bishop Toby over a mince pie and some mulled wine.

And then, the very next day, we celebrate Advent Sunday - the first day of our new Church Year. "Advent" means "The Coming" and one way that we symbolise that coming is by sending out two travelling cribs on a journey around our community during Advent. It's called The Posada.

Posada is a Spanish word meaning 'inn' and Posada celebrations originated in Mexico where two young people were chosen to dress up as Mary and Joseph. Travelling from house to house they told people about the imminent arrival of Jesus and asked to give him a room. On Christmas Eve Mary and Joseph joined the tableau around the crib.

Our re-enactment enables different people to give a home to the nativity figures for a night. Beginning on Advent Sunday, the figures in the cribs will travel around the parish each day before arriving back in church at the Crib Service at 4pm on Christmas Eve in time for the first celebration of the birth of Jesus.

This special Advent project will help us all celebrate more meaningfully the season of Advent.



If you could host a crib one night, look out for the signing-up lists in church or the parish rooms or contact Lesley.

Phone 01535 523291 or email churchwarden@kildwick.org.uk

Cherish Your Wardens!

What is a church warden?

Where's the ...? Why isn't the ...? Who's doing the? Why has the ...? Why haven't you ...?

This isn't my job ...!

Those were just a few of the questions and comments on a recent Sunday morning. It was really quite illuminating. Clearly, a lot of preparation is needed for our services to run smoothly: lights on, refreshment rota checked and water brought in, wine, wafers, communion table and vessels prepared, candles lit. Are the welcomers in place? Are the lesson readers here? Who's leading the intercessions? Has the organist arrived? Is the vicar all right?

But as well as illuminating, it was also quite frightening. What follows is taken from the Admission of Churchwardens by the Archdeacon at his Visitation.

Churchwardens are called to represent the people of God; to work with the leadership of the parish, ordained and lay; to be an example and encouragement to their fellow Christians and the wider community; and to promote unity and peace.

As you come to be admitted to the office of Churchwarden, I ask you to affirm your commitment to this calling, and to seek God's grace and the power of his Holy Spirit to fulfil it.

Will you, as churchwarden, seek to work with the Bishop, your incumbent, the Parochial Church Council, and all those who exercise leadership responsibility in your church, to further the mission of God and his purposes in the world?

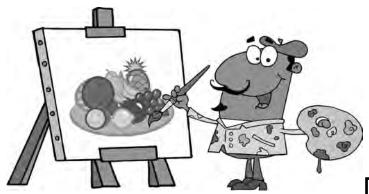
Will you undertake your task as a spiritual and holy calling, and seek in word and action to promote unity and peace?

Will you care for the fabric and property of the church, as stewards of God, and make it your responsibility to ensure its proper upkeep and repair?

All of this is what your churchwardens agree to when they accept your nomination at the Annual Meeting. If you read it carefully, it's a huge undertaking, demanding of enormous commitment, time and care – which we are given in spades! So may I gently suggest we look after our churchwardens while we can? Maybe someone else can set up for Communion – or help to clear up afterwards. Can you clean the wax off the candlesticks? Could you fetch in the water for coffee? When you're reading a lesson or leading intercessions, could you find the churchwarden and say "I'm here"?

If we want them to do the job, and if they take on that commitment, then they need our support, our love and our prayers. If that means practical help, can you give it rather than assume that someone else ought to be doing it?

Cononley Art Group



We've had another good year at the Art Group with lots of interesting workshops and demonstrations – and there are still two to come before Christmas!

The first will be an acrylic workshop and that will be followed with a demonstration of felting techniques.

Then on 16th December we'll have our final meeting of the year with party food and wine and a good chat.

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St Andrew's Church - Building for the future?

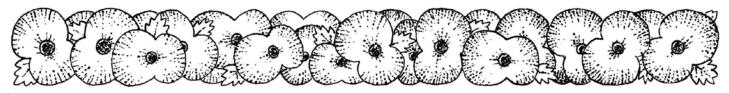
I hope that many of you will have received the letter about St Andrew's, and as we go to press, we've just held two well-attended public meetings at which people had the opportunity to come and share their thoughts, and indicate their readiness to offer support.



You can still participate in this process, even if you couldn't make it to either of the meetings. You can do so in the following ways:

- Complete the on-line survey at surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TKNNYMY
- E-mail building4thefuture@kildwick.org.uk
- Write care of Mrs Lesley Hudson, (churchwarden), Burnside, Bucklar Hill, Farnhill, BD20 9AS.

We will be gathering together all the responses by mid-November. They will be considered by the working group looking at the church's future, and then we'll report back.



Cononley Singers



Towards the end of October we visited Fountains Abbey to sing in the Cellarium as we did last year. However this year it was much warmer and we had a large audience who seemed to appreciate our music and stayed until the end of the performance. It was a most enjoyable night with good company and a bus ride both ways.

Next we have the Christmas concerts, on

Friday 13th at 7.30pm in the Village Institute at Cononley and on Saturday 14th at Christ Church Skipton at 7.30pm. Please make a note of the dates!

On Sunday 15th we are having a carol concert with readings down at the band stand in the park at 3.30pm and we hope you will join us there and have a good sing with us.

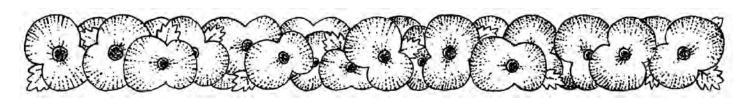
Our next singing date is on February 8th at the Village Institute for the Musical Mayhem event at 7.30pm. Do join us there!

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Services for November

Date	Time	Church	Readings
3rd November All Saints	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	St Mary's, Bradley St Andrew's Kildwick Cononley Institute	Ephesians 1.11-end Luke 6.20-31
10th November Remembrance Sunday	9.30am 10.45am 10.50am 11.10am	St Andrew's Kildwick Kildwick War Memorial Cononley War Memorial Cononley Institute	2 Thessalonians 2.1-5,13-end Luke 20.27-38
17th November Second Sunday before Advent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	St Mary's, Bradley St Andrew's, Kildwick Cononley Institute	2 Thessalonians 3.6-13 Luke 26.5-19
24th November Christ the King	9.30am 11.00am	St Mary's, Bradley St Andrew's Kildwick	Colossians 1.11-20 Luke 23.33-43
Saturday 30th November St Andrew	6.30pm	St Andrew's Kildwick	Romans 10.12-18 Matthew 4.18-22
1st December Advent Sunday	9.30am 11.00am 4.00pm	St Andrew's Kildwick	Romans 13.11-14 Matthew 24.36-44



St Andrew's Patronal Festival Eucharist

Our Patronal Festival will be celebrated on St Andrew's Day, Saturday 30th November at 6.30pm

This is a special service to celebrate our Patron Saint and we are delighted that we can share this occasion with the Right Reverend Toby Howarth, Bishop of Bradford who will preach and preside.

After the Service we will have some time together with mince pies and mulled wine. Everyone, from all of our churches, is very welcome to this occasion.

Rotas for November

Notes	Kildwick Readers	Kildwick Intercessor	Kildwick Communion
Methodist Morning Worship at Cononley	Chris Wright Christine Anderton	Sue Hargreaves	Jill and Peter
No service at Bradley Said 9.30 Eucharist at Kildwick	Lesley Hudson Tim Littler	Peter Bannister	Christine and Tim
See individual churches for Remembrance details	Morning Worship at Kildwick		
No service at Cononley	Gospel only – baptism service Brenda Brock	Lesley Hudson	Sandie and Sue
St Andrew's Patronal Festival with Bishop Toby	Sandie Walton Lesley Bannister	Chris Wright	tba
No service at Cononley Advent Carols at Kildwick (4 pm)	Glyn Evans Tim Chapman	Sue Hargreaves	tba

Join us for Carols!

... not for an early stab of the Christmas songs that we'll be hearing more and more frequently through December - but the traditional Advent songs that begin our preparation for the Festival of Christmas. A lovely way to start your church year.

Sunday 1st December at 4.00pm

KCB service pattern – from January 2019

	1st Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday	5th Sunday
Bradley	9.30am	No service	9.30am	9.30am	Joint service
Cononley	Methodists 11.00am	11.00am	11.00am	Morning Worship 11.00am	at 9.30am – venue
Kildwick	11.00am	9.30am	Morning Worship 11.00am	11.00am	rotates

Regular Events in the "KCB" Parishes

Monday	9.30am	Pre-School Music Group	Bradley Village Hall
Monday	2.00pm	Cononley Arts Club	Cononley Institute
Monday	8.00pm	Ditty Nitty Craft Club	Slater's Arms, Bradley
Tuesday	10.00am Not holidays	Chuffs Fun for pre-school children and their grown-ups!	Kildwick Parish Rooms
Tuesday	7.15pm	Yoga Class	Bradley Village Hall
Tuesday	7.15pm	Choir practice	Kildwick Parish Rooms
Wednesday	9.30am	Midweek Eucharist	Kildwick Parish Rooms
Wednesday	10.15am	NottheKnot Group	Kildwick Parish Rooms
Wednesday	7.45pm	Cononley Singers	Cononley New Inn
Thursday	9.30am	Toddlers Group	Bradley Village Hall
Thursday	3.30pm Not holidays	MiniRingers Club	Kildwick Tower or Parish Rooms
Thursday	6.45pm as required	Bell Handling Practice	Kildwick Tower
Thursday	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice	Kildwick Tower
Thursday	7.30pm	Whist Drive	Bradley Village Hall
Friday	9.00am	Pilates	Cononley Institute
Friday	10.00am	Yoga Class	Bradley Village Hall
Friday	1.30pm	Keep Fit	Cononley Institute



KCB prayers

We meet together for "KCB prayers" each month to pray for an hour for our churches and communities as well as for wider concerns.

We normally gather at 7.30pm, on the fourth Monday of the month. While Cononley has no suitable venue, the meetings will alternate between Bradley and Kildwick.

The dates and venues for the next meetings are as follows:

Monday 25th November at 7.30pm at St Andrew's Parish Rooms, Kildwick Monday 23rd December – No Meeting

Monday 27th January 2020 at 7.30pm at St Mary's, Bradley

Cononley Womens' Institute

During an exciting meeting in October we were introduced to "Pinny's Pots". Pinny is Yvonne Pinder who gave us a most enjoyable demonstration which showed us how to paint a plain terracotta plant pot to turn it into a most beautiful pot that would look nice anywhere in the house. theWI INSPIRING WOMEN

A small group of four of our members went to Cracoe Village
Hall on Friday 25th October where we enjoyed a highly entertaining Fashion
Show and partook of light refreshments.

Our November meeting will be our AGM. We will be voting to elect the Officers for the next twelve months and will follow that with a Jacobs Join Supper.

Do come and join us we meet on the first Thursday in each month in the Village Institute at 7-30pm - you will receive a warm welcome.

Pauline Link President WI Cononley

Sadly, Alan Ratledge is unable to provide us with one of his interesting pieces this month. Surgery to both himself and his lap top have prevented this.

We therefore wish Alan a very speedy recovery, and hope that he and his lap top will be fit for the next issue!

Farnhill Parish Council Meeting 26th September

There was concern about speeding on Main Street. Some 90% of traffic was exceeding the 20mph limit and members of the public suggested that both speed bumps and repeater signs were needed. There had been insufficient interest at the Annual Meeting to set up a Community Speed Watch but the Parish Council would support such a group.

After a meeting with K Midgely from Kildwick Meeting to discuss planning issues, CDC did not agree that previous responses have been vague and that detailed replies had been given.

Resurfacing of Main Street Newby Road & Starkey Lane is in train. It is likely to take 7/8 days to complete and to take place in September 2020. The road sign at Newby Road should be re-installed. Flooding at the Culvert is a problem as the gullies connect to an old stone culvert which has a restriction some 8 meters deep and under a house. The leak at the Culvert Wall is under observation.

Road Subsidence in Mary Street & Newby Road continues. There is still a line of depressions along the length of Mary Street and water is flowing under the road surface.

What's on at the Institute?

The following events will take place at Kildwick & Farnhill Institute, Main Street, Farnhill.

Perusing Peru

Friday 8th November, 7.15pm

Paul Haywood will give an illustrated talk on his recent travels in Peru. Admission £7.00 including refreshments

Regular monthly coffee morning Saturday 9th November, 10.00 - 11.30am

Come along and meet up with your friends and neighbours for a chat. Cake stall / Charity raffle.

"WW1 - 101" exhibition

Saturday 9th November, 10.00am - 12.00

If you didn't get a chance to see the WW1 "From Farnhill to the Front" exhibition last year (or if you'd like to have another look), a selection of the display boards and a slideshow will be on display, upstairs in the Institute, to commemorate 101 years since the end of WW1.

Free admission.

"Follow the Fleece"

Friday 22nd November, 7.30pm

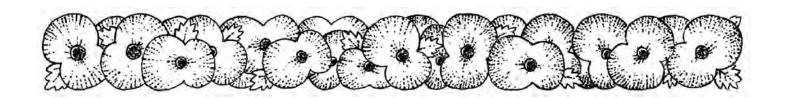
A musical theatre piece telling the history of the wool trade in Airedale. Admission including refreshments £7.50

The Village Pump

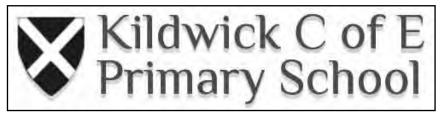
every Wednesday, 2.00 to 3.30pm.

The local over 50s group

The 2020 Farnhill and Kildwick calendar is now on sale, price £6.50 including envelope, from various places around the village, including the Church, and by email from KandFInstitute@gmail.com



News from Kildwick School



We have made it to the end of the first half term, with a day to spare for staff training! We have achieved a lot this half term with many fantastic

experiences and learning for the children to enjoy. Sporting events, forest school and gardening, trips to the theatre, coffee mornings, rock star days and world mental health day, to name but a few.

Most classes now have taken part in their first outdoor learning session led by Forest School leader Sarah Denurtcheylo. She will be returning to school before half term to train the staff and we are planning that Forest School will become a regular feature of our weekly timetable.

Sadly, no sooner had we installed Mrs Chapman in her new office, we heard that she has been offered a new job at Glusburn Primary School. A key part of our school life for the last few years, she will be missed by both staff and parents. The search is now on for a new administrator.

Bradford Cathedral is 100!

St Peter's Church in Bradford is an ancient and venerable building. There has been a church here, in "Broad Ford" for, perhaps, as long as there has been a Christian presence at "The Church by a Marshy Place" (Kil Wick).

Ancient it may be, but it was only on 25th November 1919 that St Peter's Church became the Mother Church of the brand-new Diocese of Bradford. The huge population growth of north-central England meant that a number of new dioceses were created: Sheffield (1914), Coventry (1918) Bradford (1919), Blackburn (1926), Derby (1927). For almost all of these new dioceses, a cathedral was created out of an existing parish church – the exception was Guildford (1927) which has a large new brick-built cathedral. It's stark outside but with a beautiful grace inside.

Enough of these other dioceses! Bradford's date is November 2019. There have been low-key celebrations of their 100th year for a while, but it will all culminate in two big services on Sunday 24th November.

There are a number of folk from our parishes who'll be there for a significant dedication in the morning. After four years of work, the "Cathedral Stitchers" have completed the kneelers for Polly Meynell's furnishings for the sanctuary.

Come and join the Cathedral in their key Centenary moment. There's another big service in the afternoon and Cathedral will be full! You'll need a (free!) ticket if you want to go. Ask Jill or Chris how to get yours.

News from Cononley Primary School.



Since our last article, the children at Cononley have had a busy few weeks.

Our Grandparents' Lunch was a success and it was lovely to see the

children enjoying lunch with family. We also have coming up, a 'Bonfire Lunch' which the children are very happy about as we will be serving the standard bonfire food 'Hot Dogs'. Before we know it, we will be making arrangements for the eagerly awaited Christmas Lunch!

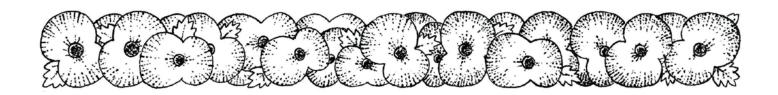
Our Harvest Festival donations were gratefully received by Skipton Food Bank.

Seventeen of our Year 6 children successfully completed their Bikeability Awards.

The year 6s also had their yearly residential trip to Bewerley Park; the school is hosting an assembly for parents where the trip will be featured and the children have helped with the slides for the presentation to show what a great time they had.

Cononley took part in the Primary Schools Sports Festival Cross Country and 10 pupils qualified for the second stage at Giggleswick School with 6 making it through to the finals at Dalby Forest. We wish our finalists good luck for their next race.

As part of Black History Month, a story teller come in to school. Githanda from Settle Stories delivered some fantastic tales from Africa which the children (and staff) found truly engaging.



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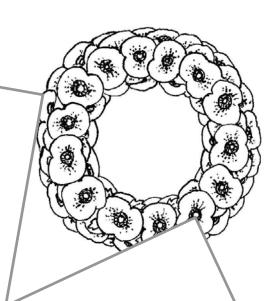
The purpose of Flapjack Friday is to offer a warm welcome in church to those who have dropped children at school on a Friday morning.

This has proved to be a really popular meeting point but sadly, as the temperature begins to drop, it is felt that a

"warm" welcome isn't practicable in our cold building. So Flapjack Friday will be going into hibernation until the weather begins to warm up and, maybe, the clocks trip forward again into Summer Time.

The Prayer Page

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

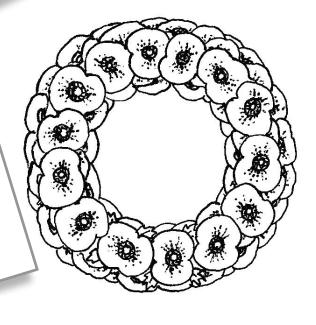




and are filled with the pain of grief, who feel numb and crushed Lord, have mercy on those who mourn You know all our sighing and longings. whose strength has given up be near to us and teach us to fix our through Jesus Christ our Lord. hope on you Amen.

justice,

We hold before you those men and O God of truth and who have died in active service: in Iraq, in Afghanistan and women As we honour their courage and may we put our faith in your future; elsewhere. cherish their memory for you are the source of life and hope, now and for ever. Amen.





The Birds in Your Garden



The wary Jay is more often heard than seen. Bright, beautifully marked and a wonderful mimic, it is a bird full of character and ruffian charm.



There is a strong bond between the Jay and the oak woodland which it favours; a bond that underlines the balance of interactions between two organisms that have coevolved over great periods of time. The Jay, the most arboreal of all our corvids, not only relies on oak woodland for nesting but also finds much of its winter diet in them,

collecting and burying acorns during autumn for use in winter. Jays from several breeding territories will converge on an oak woodland to collect acorns. Each will carry three or four back to its own territory to bury them, before returning for more.

Despite the strength of this association the Jay remains an adaptable bird, often visiting gardens to seek out peanuts, bread and other scraps.

The changing fortunes of our Jay population reflect changes in our own attitudes towards them. Widely condemned for their nest-robbing habits, they were heavily persecuted throughout the 19th Century, driving the population into decline. Despite this the Jay clung on, perhaps because its secretive habits made it difficult to eradicate, and numbers began to recover during the early 20th Century when gamekeepers went off to a real war. Two other changes probably helped; bird plumage ceased to be the must-have accessory for any fashionable outfit and to a lesser extent, alternatives were found for use as lures by fly-fishermen.

The harsh shrieking 'kschaach' call is the most familiar of the sounds made by the Jay. However, the species is also well-known for its ability to mimic the calls made by other birds, and these are often worked into their rich warbling song. Individuals have also been known to mimic man-made sounds, including phones, car alarms and motorbikes. Most of these sounds are delivered with surprising

accuracy and some, such as the chattering call of a Magpie, are often so well delivered that they will fool even the most careful listener.

Interestingly, mimicked calls are sometimes used when the birds are agitated or feel threatened, possibly as a diversion.

Jays takes a wide variety of foodstuffs, some of which (notably young birds) land them in trouble with the shooting fraternity. For much of the year feeding activity takes place on the ground, the birds foraging through leaf litter for a mix of invertebrates such as beetles, and seeds. However, during the breeding season most of their food is collected from the tree canopy, usually oaks, mainly consisting of leaf-feeding caterpillars, plus various beetles and their larvae. It is also during the breeding season, when the Jay has young of its own to rear, that the eggs and nestlings of other birds may be taken.

To some observers they are (very intelligent) rogues, and until recently it was one of a handful of species that could be legally controlled as pests. This changed recently with Natural England rescinding this permission. It may be why Jays are wary of Man, visiting gardens early in the morning and quick to utter a shriek of alarm before disappearing into the safety of the woods. As you might expect, the BTO Garden BirdWatch results show that it is rural gardens that are most often visited by Jays.

If you find the lives of our garden birds to be of interest, and would like to join in and count the feathered occupants of your garden, please contact me or visit the BTO Garden BirdWatch website (www.bto.org/gbw).

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A service at St Andrew's

An informal service will be held on the third Sunday of each month at St. Andrew's Church, Kildwick.

Not led by a priest, there will be hymns and songs, a short talk and some prayers, all suitable for the whole family.

Refreshments will be available from 10.30am before the service begins at 11.00am.

It will be a short service and everyone is welcome.

We would be delighted if you could join us on Sunday November 17th

The Kildwick Parish Library

The creation of Parish Libraries was largely inspired by Rev. Thomas Bray who promoted, in a series of works published in the latter part of the 17th and early 18th century, the idea of creating libraries, endowed by local gentry and clergy, for use by assistants, curates and general readers. The books were to be in English, and available for use by anyone in the parish who could read them.

Bray's plans were intended to "promote all necessary and useful knowledge both divine and human". They were particularly aimed at "northern parts" which he considered to be especially "barbarous and ignorant".

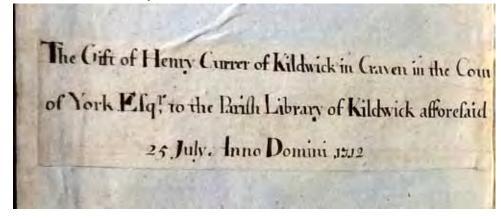
The Kildwick library

The Kildwick Parish Library consists of 79 books with imprint dates between 1530 and 1824, mostly from the 17th and 18th centuries. It includes:

- 2 from 16th century
- 37 from 17th century
- 34 from 18th century
- 4 from 19th century

The collection is made up of Protestant ecclesiastical works, including: commentaries on various books of the Bible, philosophical works, collections of sermons, a copy of Foxe's Book of Martyrs (in two volumes), and a 2nd

edition of Thomas Bray's "Bibliotheca Parochialia" (published 1707). It also includes a lectern copy of the King James Bible, published in 1701, which also includes two loose Prayer pamphlets dated 1762 and 1796.



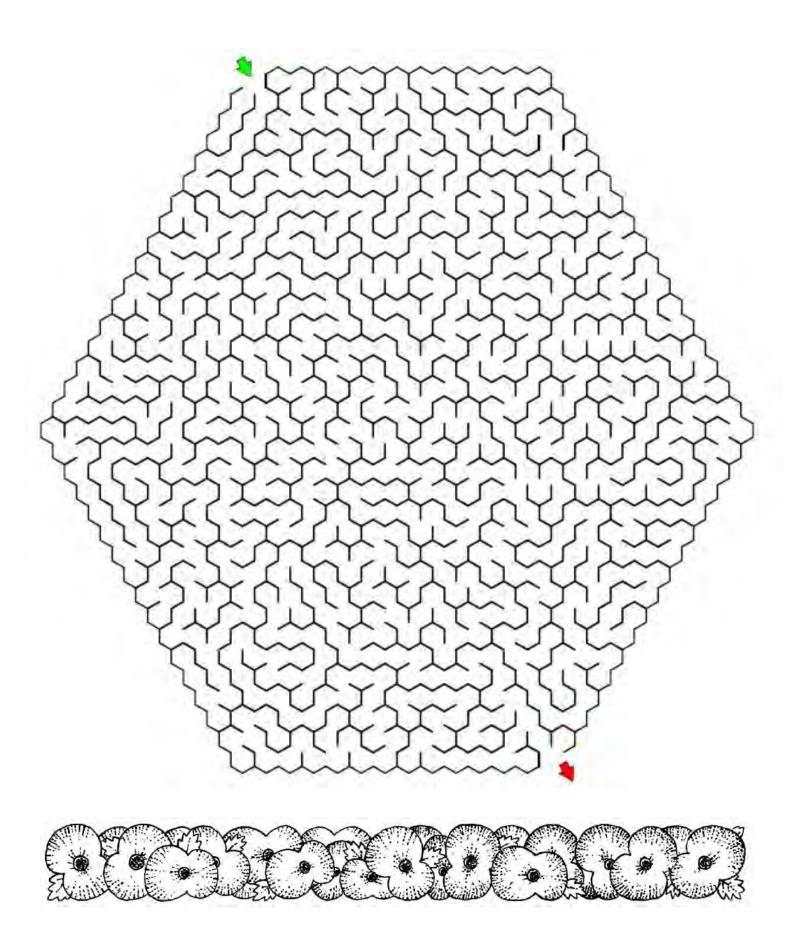
Several of the books appear to have been given to the parish by the lords of the manor of Kildwick Henry Currer (b. 1651, d. 1722) [30 books, donated between 1710 and 1722] and his son Haworth Currer (b. 1690, d. 1744) [4 books, donated between 1725 and 1727 – although a further 4 books donated in the 1720s after the death of Henry Currer are also likely to have been the gift of his son]. A further two books, both donated in 1711, were the gift of a family member, William Currer of Steeton.

Following careful recording and cataloguing by the Farnhill History Group, the library has moved to its new home in York University's Rare Book Collection.

Find a fuller version of this article at http://www.kildwick.org.uk/news/cataloguing-kildwick-library.

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Can you find your way?



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"Goodness! is it time for Christmas Fair organising, carol service planning and nativity play rehearsals already?!"

The Winter Edition

The deadline for the Winter edition is Sunday 24th November

Please let us have your material by then

– and we'll try to have the magazine ready for Sunday, 1st December.

Please Note!

The "Winter Edition" will cover both December and January – the next edition will be published on Sunday 2nd February.