

MELLOR PARISH CHURCH

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Pam's Paper Blog:

Dear friends,

Are you like me and always find yourself buying far too much when you go food shopping? Sometimes I'm packing the food I've bought into the fridge thinking we can always eat it next week. Why don't I just buy what I need and no more? Some people talk about lists being the answer but I just add to the list once I see something else I fancy. My main point of weakness is the special offer; especially if I'm getting one free! It's all good marketing management, of course, but I despair with my weakness.

More recently this over purchasing brings on a severe attack of guilt since I watched Hugh's War on Waste on Channel 4 earlier this year. Apparently, as an industry we throw away a staggering third of the food that we produce in this country; quite often because it is misshaped or unsold within its sell by time. Also the average household throws away £700 worth of food annually. You can find out more at: <https://www.rivercottage.net/war-on-waste>

Excessive waste wasn't a feature of life in biblical times, avoiding starvation and drought was more the issue. I can't see those unnamed women, who followed the disciples and prepared their food, worrying about the shape of their parsnips! Yet from the time of Moses, Yahweh has asked us to set aside time to thank Him for all He provides; the Jewish calendar contains the Feast of the Tabernacles and the Christian one Harvest & Rogation.

Respect for our earth has been an active part of the Judean/ Christian life and is now a scientific concern. We ignore the pressure human beings put on our planet at our peril. All of us have to engage

with our contribution to climate change and our use of its limited resources whether that involves us in simply recycling more or in a conscious decision to use less energy. All the NGO's- such as Christian Aid- have campaigns about living in a fairer world where the consequences of climate change challenges our thinking about our energy use and resources. You only need to spend moments on the internet or looking in magazines/newspapers to find lots of practical ideas to use; there's a new idea tailor made for each of us to take up.

It would seem to me that our Harvest celebrations should include something that changes our attitude for life rather than simply bringing a gift into church if we're to take seriously God's concern for our world. In the past I've made decisions to look for the tractor logo to ensure I support British farmers or the fair trade mark to support those who live in poverty abroad. This is something that I stick to year in, year out. But what could this year's annual Harvest gift include?

I could decide to put something from my shopping to go to Food Banks each week or compost our grass and peelings so it doesn't go to landfill; holiday in Britain so I don't use planes; turn down the heating by a couple of degrees.

Please join me and find one thing that you can choose and stick to that shows respect for our earth that can be your Harvest gift for God. Then we can all use these lovely traditional words in praise of God: Thou crownest the year with thy goodness: and Thy clouds drop fatness. (From Common Prayer Ps 66:12)

Pam Daunton

(You might be interested to know that Recycling Lives is involved with sharing food with food banks for those who are in need in our locality. They also help vulnerable people back into work. <http://www.fareshare.org.uk/lancashire-cumbria/>)

Calendar for September

September	4	15 th Sunday after Trinity	
	10.30	Parish Communion	Rev'd Enid Briggs
	6.30	Evensong	Rev'd Roland Nicholson
September	6		
	9.30	Holy Communion	Rev'd David Kennedy
September	11	16 th Sunday after Trinity	Education Sunday
	10.30	Parish Communion	Rev'd David Wotherspoon
	6.30	Evensong	Mrs Christine Ritson
September	13		
	9.30	Holy Communion	Rev'd Roland Nicholson
September	18	17 th Sunday after Trinity	All Age Worship
	10.30	Parish Communion	Canon John Hartley
	6.30	Evensong	Rev'd Dr John Darch
September	20		
	9.30	Holy Communion	Canon John Hartley
September	25	18 th Sunday after Trinity	

	10.30	Parish Communion Rev'd Roland Nicholson
	6.30	Holy Communion Rev'd Gill Dyer
September	27	
	9.30	Holy Communion Rev'd Gill Dyer

Church Rotas September

Assistant Wardens

September	4	Rita Gorman & Marilyn Watson
September	11	Derek Haworth & Dorothy Walsh
September	18	Debbie Chadwick & Barbara Lucas
September	25	Geoff Gill & Karen Walsh

Sidespersons

September	4
September	11
September	18
September	25

Morning

J Moss
N Walsh
S Brown
G Calvert

P Webster
S Woodward
P Cowell
G Tipper

Evening

S Nelson
G Tipper
S Nelson
N Hogg

Chalice Servers

Intercessors

September	4	Eileen Peake, Rita Gorman	Linda Livesey
September	11	Graham Tipper, Geoff Gill	Geoff Gill
September	18	Linda Livesey, Eileen Peake	Debbie Chadwick
September	25	Geoff Gill, Rita Gorman	Graham Tipper

Flower List

		Given by:-	Arranged by:-
September	4	Ann Doolan/Wedding	Di Ibbotson
September	11	Maureen Forrest	Helen Holroyd & Helen Cooper
September	18	Joan & Ian Moss	Joan Moss
September	25	Lorna Shaw	Ann MInoprio

Church Cleaning

September	5	Deborah Chadwick & Barbara Lucas
September	12	Janice Ball, Linda Livesey & Lorna Shaw
September	19	Maureen Forrest, Hilda Hilton & Marilyn Watson
September	26	Vicky Dewhurst, Jane Greenough & Katie Rolston

(Thank you to Sheila Turner and Jean Freeman for many years of cleaning
and to Joan Venables who has kindly agreed to join Berenice)

If anyone would like to join a team please see Hilda or Rita

Christian Meditation Group

If we are to grow in our own spiritual life; indeed if our parishes are to grow, it is good to spend time quietly in the presence of God. This group Is formed to do just this. It will include some short scriptural thought along with a meditation and prayer. There will be the opportunity to pray for others and coffee for those who can stay longer. Please come along and join us.

Meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 10.30 am.
(14th September; 12th October; November 9th and December 14th) at Rev Gill Dyer's home,
61 Glenluce Drive, Mellor.

Gill Dyer & Pam Daunton

Working with the people of Mellor

Please can I just say that being church warden this year has shown me how lucky we are to have so many helpful people in the village .I want to say a big thank you to Mrs. Debbie Chadwick for all she does for Sunday School, Rose Queen and Church and to her right hand lady, Mrs Vicky Dewhurst. Also, all the other churches that got involved on that wet, horrible day but Rose Queen Lucy Taylor and her family did a lot as well - so thank you to them.

Next, a thank you to Mr Alan Bibby for keeping us all on time for many, many years looking after the church clock and to Graham Calvert for taking over the job .

Also, to Jean Freeman that has come off the Social Committee after helping raise a very lot of money for our church.

Next to a lady that has done a lot for the church over her time and kept the job going even after losing her great friend and husband; Mrs Eileen Peake, thank you so much.

Then, to all the people that made the Art Exhibition another great event.

To Mr and Mrs Bell for not only having the bbq in their garden for years but also letting us take over the house this year - thank you.

Over the last few months Graham Tipper and Barbara Lucas have helped me so much and I am very grateful to them.

I owe the biggest thank you to our very own 'last of the summer wine' cast. Meaning Roland, John and Enid (I will let you work out who plays who) without these very organised and kind people we wouldn't be going to a church at the minute so a very, very big thank you. Cheers,

Dave Holroyd

From The Registers

		Communicants	Collections
July	17	56	454.70
	24	54	788.13
	31	70	544.40
Aug	7	55	508.61
	14	68	514.33
	21	51	350.50

Baptism

We welcome into the Lord's family

Hollie Feeney Kaitlin Feeney

Finlay Isaac Norman Daniel Ellison

Kit Horatio McMillan Thomas Robert Metcalf

Isla Rebecca McMahon

Wedding

We ask for God's blessing on

Amy Rachel & Garreth Michael Tinker

Funeral

We commend to God's care

Malcolm Jones Eddie Worthington

Samlesbury Church

We are open for the National Heritage Open Week,

On 11 & 12 September

It would be great to see you there

Joanne

United Benefice Joint Services

It has been agreed that whenever there are 5 Sundays in a calendar month the three churches in the benefice will have a joint service in the morning starting at 10.45am.

This will take effect from Sunday 31 July 2016.

Please make a note in your diaries for these United Benefice Services:-

Sunday 30 October 2016 10.45am St Leonard's Samlesbury

Sunday 29 January 2017 10.45am St Leonard's Balderstone

Mellor St. Mary C. E. Primary School News

At the Leavers' Service on the last day of the Summer Term, the annual awards for the Year 2015/16 were presented. The awards were as follows:

War Memorial Scholarship and Mary Burgess Fund	Michael Popadiuk
The Gill Award for Mathematics	Edward O'Ryan
	Zoe Woodward
Progress Trophy	Kate Schofield
Hilton Award for Effort	Lucy Taylor
Baldwin Shield for all round achievement	Beatrice Thompson
Parkinson Shield for all round achievement	Matthew Waller
Parish Council Golden Jubilee Writing Award	Elsbeth Ambler
White R.E. Award	Niamh Whalley
Stephen Tipper Musical Achievement Award	Alannah Slater
Adelaide Louisa Bibby Citizenship Award	Ben Dewhurst
Thomas Hetherington-Fogg Memorial Award	Ethan Dewhurst
Taylor Team Trophy	Cross-Country Team
Boothman Art Trophy	Oliver Cotton
Deborah Mae Smith Progress Award (Key Stage 1)	Henry Holden
Gorman Attendance Award (Year 5)	Elsbeth Ambler
	Tom Greenough
	Grace Hilton
	Alannah Slater
	Beatrice Thompson
	Niamh Whalley

The Perry Trophy for team points

Team WATER with 5274 points

Attendance Certificates for 100% attendance throughout the year
were awarded to 24 pupils (23 pupils in 2014/15)

Writing Progress Awards	Foundation Stage	Sam Taylor
	Year One	Isobel Patterson
	Year Two	Alasdair Ambler
	Year Three	Fatima Namaji
	Year Four	Abigail Cotton
	Year Five	Marcy Olsson
	Year Six	Ruby Hicks
Cross- curricular Awards	Foundation Stage	Erin Rugg
	Year One	Matilda Dunn
	Year Two	Isabelle Hession
	Year Three	Toby Strand
	Year Four	Emily Guilfoyle
	Year Five	John Yates
	Year Six	Zak Mala

Twenty three pupils were given dictionaries as a memento of Mellor St. Mary CE Primary School. We send good luck and best wishes as they move onto the next stage of their education; eight pupils will be attending Clitheroe Royal Grammar School; four pupils will be moving to St. Wilfrid's High School; five pupils will start Year 7 at St Augustine's High School and six pupils will be attending Ribblesdale High School. Thank you for all your lovely cards and best wishes as I retire this term. Thank you to the P.C.C. and parishioners for their generosity. It has been a privilege to teach here for so many years and I thank everyone for their support, kindness and good humour. Our autumn term begins on Tuesday 6th September when we shall be welcoming twenty new children into the Foundation Stage and one pupil in Year 3. Monday 5th September will be a Teacher Day.

Christine Taylor Headteacher

St Leonard's Balderstone

Harvest Supper 29th September 7.30pm

Once again, you are warmly invited to join us for our Harvest Supper.

The supper will be held in school, following the service in church.

We look forward to seeing you.

Catherine

Mission Collections

Please could everyone who collects their small change for missions please note that Hilda Hilton has now taken over the counting and sorting of this money.

Thank you to Jenifer Peagram for the many hours she has spent 'coppering up' so that this money can be given to those in need on behalf of St.Mary's.

Social Committee News

We are all very sorry that our friend and super efficient Chairperson & Secretary, Jean Freeman, has decided to resign from the Social & Fund Raising Committee. However, Jean has handed over two large files containing all her notes from the past few years for our future guidance. On behalf of all members of the church – Thank You, Jean.

Rev'd Roland has agreed to join the Committee and we are hoping that Jessica Hayes and Mark Smith will also give us their support as we plan events for the future.

The Annual Autumn Fayre will be held in school on Saturday 12th November and the week after **A Big Band Night** is planned to take place at The Canberra Club at Samlesbury on Saturday, 19th November.

Tickets for this will be available soon from members of the Social Committee.

Rita Gorman

MELLOR VILLAGE SHOW

Sunday 4 September 2016 in Mellor Village Hall. 2pm to 4pm.

Exhibits include - flowers and plants, foliage and flower arrangements, home produce, photography, fruit and vegetables, crafts.

Display by Accrington & District Bonsai Society.

Refreshments available, including home made cakes.

Admission only £1, children free.

Trophies presented at 3.45 by Mrs Christine Taylor

SCARECROWS...

Mellor Connections would like to say THANK YOU to everyone connected with the 2nd Mellor Scarecrow Festival held in July. Once again, the village was alive with families walking around admiring the many scarecrows on display. There are some very imaginative people in this village!

Refreshments were enjoyed in the Village Hall and entertainment was provided by Balderstone Brass Band on Saturday and Mellor Brook Ukulele Group on Sunday.

All in all, a very good weekend, a real community effort and raising a lot of money for the Village Hall.

THANK YOU Gill Hargreaves

"A Very Happy September Birthday"

September birthdays from the Baptism,
Sunday School and Youth Fellowship registers are:

1st	Jessica Wells	14th	Holly Pilkington
2nd	Ollie Walsh	14th	Cameron Wallace
5th	Oscar Tipton	15th	Emma ten Cate
5th	Edie Houldsworth	15th	Harriett Lightbourn
6th	Mia Livesey	19th	Evie Rouse
7th	Joseph Greenough	26th	Rory Kenyon
10th	Emily Walsh	27th	Harriett Johnson
11th	Charlotte Cushing-Tyson		

Do you have a Special Birthday coming up?

Would you like us to mention it in the Church magazine?
Karen Walsh (karenwalsh739@brinternet.com).

Mothers' Union

First of all, we send our love to Margaret and Frank and wish them both a speedy recovery to full health and vigour as we remember them in our prayers.

We enjoyed a lovely evening out in July (read Rosemary's humorous account) and Rev'd Gill Dyer entertained us at the August meeting with stories from her youth with surprises from God along the way.

Mary Woodward, most capably, stepped in to open the evening with the Mothers' Union service reminding us that it was Mary Sumner (founder of M.U.) Day, Rosemary Potts played the piano for our singing of the hymn and we are always pleased that Canon John Hartley comes along to give us a blessing.

We meet on Tuesday, 13th September when the speaker will be Mr Rawden Kerr, 'A Town Cryer' from Great Harwood.

We also send our love and best wishes to Margaret Riley and Millie Clarkson who are both in hospital at this time.

Rita Gorman

Mothers' Union Outing

Summer Outing. Rosemary's report

On the 12th of July, 23 members of Mellor M.U. left church by coach for our Summer outing to Ribchester. All went well until the driver(a lady) discovered that the rather larger coach than was expected could not reach the Church through the narrow roads with parked cars either side.

Plan B. "I'll drop you by the playing fields and you can cut across by the footpath to the Church," said the driver. Enter gentleman by the playing field saying "You can't go down there because there are cows in the field!"

Plan C. We had to negotiate two fields, three cattle grids, several muddy patches, a farmyard and a walk by the river bank, but at last we arrived. We were greeted by two gentlemen who announced themselves to be Professors from the University of Central Lancashire and proceeded to give us a tour of the Roman excavations taking place by several students.

We like a challenge and got one by further negotiations round "The Dig" and not falling into the ruts made by Roman Chariots! Thankfully no one received any injuries by the experience and we finally arrived intact at St. Winifred's to look round that beautiful ancient Church. We walked back via the road to the playing fields to reach the coach which decanted us to enjoy a lovely meal at "The Ribchester Arms." As someone remarked "It's been like a "Carry On" film hasn't it?" We all enjoyed it, helped one another through trials and tribulations and it was a wonderful, memorable evening.

Finally, many thanks to Christine and Pam for arranging the evening and thankfully we were blessed with lovely weather.

It will be a hard act to follow.

Rosemary Potts

P.S. Margaret B. caused great amusement when a little waitress knocked on the coach door as we were about to leave and asked "Has anybody paid?"

Vision youth group

Please check the church notice board and school bus stops around the village for the September date. Pass it on and bring a friend.

The 'Little Angel' Group

We resume our monthly meetings on Tuesday, 27th September at 2.15pm in the Narthex when we hope to welcome little ones with their families.

Eleanor, Isla and Jack have started school and we wish them well for the next step on their educational journey and look forward to seeing them when they come to sing to us in December.

Remember – all are welcome.
Margaret, Rita, Hilda and Gillian

Sunday School News

WELCOME BACK FOR THE NEW TERM

Lessons

11th Sept – in school

18th Sept – AAW – in church

25th Sept – in school.

We would love to see any child over the age of three at Sunday school. Even if mums and dads can't get into church every week, the children are welcome to join us. They can be dropped at school at 10.20ish and collected between 11.30-11.45.

We look forward to meeting you.

Recycled Cards

Thank you to those of you who keep us supplied with used greetings cards so that we can keep the stall well stocked with cards for all occasions.

We recently contributed £20 to MNDA in support of a sponsored walk by the friends of Andrea Pinder and plan to give Dr George a donation towards the next trip to India with the Northern Cleft Foundation.

For more information on the amazing work done by the team – 'google' Northern Cleft Foundation where you will be able to see pictures and read about the way lives are changed by this charity.

Thank you from The Card Ladies

Readers for September

September	4	15 th Sunday after Trinity	
	10.30	M Ashton M Eccleston Celebrant	Deuteronomy 30. 15-20 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14' 25-33
	6.30	M Watson S Nelson	Isaiah 43.14 – 44. 5 John 5.30-end
September	11	16 th Sunday after Trinity	
	10.30	D Summersgill A Smith Celebrant	Exodus 32. 7-14 1 Timothy. 1. 12-17 Luke 15.1-10
	6.30	N Hogg G Tipper	Isaiah 60 John 6.51-69
September	18	17 th Sunday after Trinity	
	10.30	All Age Worship All Age Worship Celebrant	Amos 8. 4-7 1. Timothy 2. 1-7 Luke 16. 1-13
	6.30	M Riley S Dobson	Ezra 1 John 7. 14-36
September	25	18 th Sunday after Trinity	
	10.30	W Shaw S Gill Celebrant	Amos 6. 1a. 4-7 1 Timothy 6. 6-19 Luke 16. 19-31
	6.30	K Walsh S Brindle	Amos 6. 1a, 4-7 Luke 17. 5-10

United Benefice of Balderstone, Mellor and Samlesbury

You are invited to a
HEALING SERVICE
on Sunday, 16th October, 2016
at 6.30p.m.
at St. Mary the Virgin, Mellor

Christian Stewardship

Recorder/Gift Aid Secretary Eileen Peake

Electoral Roll Officer

Graham Tipper

Deanery Synod

Sue Gill Debbie Chadwick

Sunday School

Debbie Chadwick 812091

Vision (Formally Youth Fellowship)

Debbie Chadwick

Little Angels

Margaret Baldwin 812360 Rita Gorman 812566

Children's Society

Debbie Chadwick 812091

Social & Fund Raising Committee

Rita Gorman, Debbie Summersgill,
John Hartley, Roland Nicholson, Alan Smith.

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Joan Moss 813581

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Lynn Fish (Wren)

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Churchyard

Chris Wilson Rob Cooper Tom Shaw Stewart Woodward
Bernard Whalley Gordon Hayes

Volunteers still required
