

WHAT'S ON AROUND THE PARISHES

2019

December

5th Ladybirds-Coronation Hall-9.30am
5th Howgill & Firbank WI-Christmas Party
5th Pub Night with Pub Grub-Coronation Hall-8pm
10th Good Neighbours-Coronation Hall-7.30pm
10th Firbank Domino Drive-Firbank Village Hall-7.30pm
12th Ladybirds-Coronation Hall-9.30am
15th Community Carol Service-St John's Church-2pm
17th Grayrigg YFC-Domino Drive-Coronation Hall-7.30pm
19th Ladybirds-Coronation Hall-9.30am
19th Christmas Pub Night -Coronation Hall-8pm
24th Holy Communion -St John's Church -11.30pm
25th Holy Communion-St John's Church-10am
29th Christmas Choral Evensong-St John's Church-4pm

2020

January

2nd Howgill & Firbank WI-Howgill-7.30pm
10th Pub Night with Pub Grub-Coronation Hall-8pm

March

14th Annual Variety Concert-Coronation Hall-7.30pm

May

30th Annual Plant Sale-Coronation Hall-10am

November

28th Annual Christmas Fayre-Coronation Hall-10am

**The Deadline for January 2020 Grapevine is
9th December 2019**

**Please let us have details of your forthcoming Events
for inclusion in future issues.**



Rainfall in Grayrigg

The rainfall in October 2019 was 138.1mm or 5.44 inches
The rainfall in October 2018 was 150.3mm or 5.92 inches
The average October rainfall over the last 27 years is 150.7mm or 5.92 inches

Grayrigg Grapevine

Church and Community News



**The Chapelry of St. John's Church, Grayrigg
comprising the civil parishes of Dillicar, Docker,
Grayrigg, Lambrigg and Whinfell**

December 2019

From the Team Rector

I am sure that by the time you are reading this the bidding war that now seems to be part of a General Election Campaign will have ramped up a notch or two. Now that austerity has been declared dead and buried, it is OK for the political parties to promise the electorate all that its heart desires, to make grand pronouncements about spending plans, which will boost our economy and make this Country a better place to live, where everyone will be more prosperous. The NHS and Education are always sectors in our national life that usually get promised better funding, and there are other sectors which get a sprinkling of Financial Fairy Dust in the hope that we will be tempted to vote for their candidate whose party is making the best promises.

I saw a Peanuts cartoon recently which make accurately sums-up this process. Peppermint Patty and Charlie Brown are resting in the shade of a large tree with their backs against its trunk. Patty asks Charlie Brown "Do all fairy tales begin with 'Once upon a time'?" Charlie Brown replies "No many of them begin 'If I am elected, I promise...'"

Getting elected and being in Government is what our politicians are all striving for, because being in opposition isn't good enough. Her Majesty's opposition does not get to shape our country and make a reality their electoral pledges. Yet getting elected isn't an end in itself – surely? Those who aspire to govern should have the best interest of each and every citizen at heart, for as Martin Luther King Jr. reminds us:

"Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.

I can never be what I ought to be until you are what you ought to be.

This is the interrelated structure of reality."

In our modern age of soundbites, Facebook post and Tweets, it is difficult for serious issues to be discussed well. Often the debate descends into a shouting match and childish taunts of "Mine's bigger than yours is!!"

The problems facing us in our world today are problems needing global solutions. It seems to me that no one political party has the monopoly of right answers and policies. What is needed is a commitment from our MPs to work together for the good of all. Politicians must hear what is being said about the needs of the world and the needs of our country and then agree together what are the best way of addressing these problems.

The following week our club went ice skating joining many other clubs for a night of madness on the ice with all members thankfully coming home with no broken Bones. At the end of the month a competition called junior rally was attended. A night of fun, games and mini Competitions to bring out the competitive side in our younger end. With many Clubs having entered 4 - 5 teams we only entered the one with member Aidan Handley, Harry Harper, John Ellis & Callum Ellis battling there way to bring home a Impressive 3rd place.

In the November Our One Remaining Quiz team Henry Knowles, Hannah Storton, Heather Bland & Jack Dixon winning there way through all rounds bagged a 2nd place at the district Finals. The next round is the County finals on the 14th November at the George hotel at Penrith. The 5th November came our annul Bonfire night kindly Hosted by Cooper House of Selside and using the village hall as a place for cake & refreshments. With the bonfire burning proudly on the hill above the hall it became a roaring success! Also on the same night Donna Robinson, Shannon Barnes, Joseph Moorhouse & Bradley Pickthall Attended a fun & games night called The Carrs Billington Challenge at H&H Bordorway Carlisle bagging a impressive 10th out of 20 Clubs in Cumbria entered. Later this Month Our Junior Reading team Harriet Eastwood, Martha Cudby & Sarah Bland are competing in the Finals which is really Impressive for there ages.

In December Grayrigg YFC are organising a Charity Stock Judging Day on Sunday 1st December 2019 at junction 36 auctions 10am - 4pm. The Chosen Charity being Mountain Rescue it is going to be a fun filled day of not only stock judging but also lots of fun for the family. With Tickets being £10 we hope to see you all there. We will also be hosting our annual domino drive night on the 17th December. All Friends and family are welcome.

Thank you for reading and we will hopefully see you at one of our Public Events.

Robbie Hutchinson Secretary of Grayrigg YFC



Grayrigg Young Farmers.



So our new young farmers year started out with a new selection of officers. Jayne Knowles - Club President, Craig Proctor - Club Leader, Michael Todd - Chairman, Robbie Hutchinson - Secretary, Paris Dixon - Minutes Secretary, Jack Dixon - Treasurer, Beth Ladds - Programme Secretary, Richard Ladds - Stock Judging Officer, Lucy Wilson - Social Secretary.

Moving straight into our year. In the month of September we entered this years torch light precession. With the main theme being ' Made in the Lakes ' we decided a postman pat theme would be very fitting for our club. With Richard Ladds John Deere leading the way with our little trailer lined with colourful art work and bouncing with Member dressed as Postman Pat characters. A big Thank you to Jayne & Brain Knowles for letting us use there silage pit with our float build. On the 18th September came the annual Pool Dart Dominos & connect 4 night at the Gilpin Bridge inn at Levens. Club Members Caroline Todd, Emily Armer, Jack Dixon, Katie Waine, Matthew King, Michael Todd & Robbie Hutchinson all entered a fun night of games coming home with a overall 1st Place and our first trophy of the Year! The weekend came with the annual walling competition hosted by Lowick YFC. With nearly all our members scoring top prizes we brought home the walling trophy for a impressive 7th Year! Seniors 1st Henry Knoweles 2nd Michael Todd. Inters 1st John Handley. Juniors 4th Aidan Handley. Ladies 1st Hannah Storton.

With October Soon coming round after a busy September we had a club visit to the Bay Search n Rescue site at Flookburgh. With Member learning that they are more then just Life savers on the bay but Local heroes when the community is in tragedy. The middle of the month came one of our first stock judging night kindly hosted my Mark & Rachel Dodgson of Spital Farm. With a big turn out of members showed the true passion for animals and the Judge Mr Charles Geldard blown away by there talent for some being such a young age. Main part of the night being Rachel Dodgsons baking skills with delicious cakes on offer.

You might think that this has notion has no chance of succeeding - we don't have a prayer, but on the contrary we do and here it is!

A prayer for the 2019 General Election

God of grace and truth,
send your Spirit to guide us
as we discover your will for our country.
Help us to discuss the issues before us
with courtesy, truth and mutual respect,
and grant that all who stand for parliament
will seek to serve the common good,
through him who came not to be served but to serve,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

When the dust has settled after the 14th December, I hope that you and yours will have a Happy Christmas – the jury will still be out over whether we have 'A Happy New Year'!!

Yours,

Nigel Davies

St John the Evangelist Grayrigg

CHRISTMAS CHORAL EVENSONG

The Evensong Voices

Director

Margaret Pattinson

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER SERVICE

WITH

CONGREGATIONAL & CHOIR CAROLS

SUNDAY

29TH DECEMBER 2019

4 PM

CAROL SINGERS SCHEDULE 2019 (Leaving Grayrigg Village at 6.45pm)

IF YOU'D LIKE TO JOIN US, WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU WITH US.

| <u>MON 9th DEC</u> | <u>THURS 12th DEC</u> | <u>SUN 15th DEC</u> | <u>MON 16th DEC</u> |
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| <u>LAMBRIGG</u> | <u>DOCKER</u> | <u>OTHERS</u> | <u>WHINFELL 2</u> |
| Moresdale dwellings Wythmoor Todds Farm Holme Park dwellings Lambrigg Park Lambrigg Head Beanthwaite Shaw End Cottages Dobshole Simgill Brow Head Mire Head Broad Head | The Barn, Little Docker Little Docker Cott Bracken Hall x 2 Tenter End The Hills Docker Hall Docker Garth Slough Low Barnes Lower Lodge Wray Farm Croft Foot Myers Haygarth Hollins Kitchen Gill Kitchen Gill Cott The Green Kiln Head Farm Kiln Head Cottage | Blackett Bottom Ghyll Bank Sundown Docker View Thursgill Grayrigg Foot Low Lodge Lambrigg Foot Greenhead Oaklands Oldfield Cross Houses & Barn Fiddler House Thatchmoor Head Thachmoor Barn Moorfold Pinethwaite Hardrigg Meadow Howe Thatchmoor Cottage Meeting House Cott Beck House Cottage Castley Bank Barn Castley Bank | Flat Farm Kennels Crake Trees Evatt Sykes Harewood Barn Harewood Grisedale Whelpside Rossil Bridge Farm Patton Mill Farm Patton Mill Shaw End Cott Other Barn High Barn North Lodge The Old Smithy Patton Bridge Brig Bank Agnes Ghyll |

| <u>TUE 17th DEC</u> | <u>FRI 20th DEC</u> | <u>SUN 22nd DEC</u> | <u>SUN 22nd DEC</u> |
|--|--|--|--|
| <u>WHINFELL 1</u> | <u>DILLICAR</u> | <u>VILLAGE</u> | <u>VILLAGE CONT...</u> |
| Grayrigg Hall Top Thorn dwellings Crook Howe Hyning Haveriggs Moor Bank Bracken Fold Borrans School House The Chapel Pike Hill Barn x 2 Tarnside Fellside High Deepslack Holme Bank Low Deepslack | Sunny Bank Golden Howe Hyning High Fell Garth Low Fell Garth Sand Beds Mountain View Graining Field Lowgill Farm Burr Barn Fleetholme Railway Cottages School House Old Post Office x 2 The Chapel Ivy House x 2 Half Island House Cowperthwaite Chapel Tarn Close Davy Bank Mill | Beacon View Almshouses Meadow Bank The Vicarage Grayrigg House Old Police Station Old Vicarage Lambrigg View Rose Bower Croft View Stepping Stones x 2 Punch Bowl Barn x 2 Dale House Ivy Cottage Strathmore Anvil Cottage Houses x 3 Punch Bowl & Flat Varrabrant | Cockpit Greenacres Cobblestones x 2 Drift Ridge |



Grayrigg YFC

Annual Domino Drive



Tuesday 17th December
Grayrigg Coronation Hall, 7.30pm Start
£3 Entry
Prizes, Raffle, Refreshments
All Members Friends .Family are welcome

St John the Evangelist Grayrigg

ANNUAL COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICE

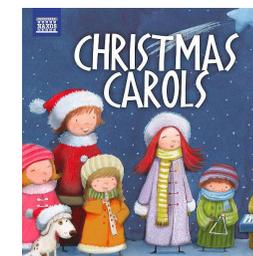
SUNDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2019

At

2 p.m.

All Welcome

**Refreshments
after the service**



GRAYRIGG GOOD NEIGHBOURS

Tuesday 10th December

Grayrigg Coronation Hall
7.30pm

The Fellside Flower Co
with Emma Greenshaw
Seasonal Refreshments

Subscription £10 per year or £3 per meeting

All Welcome

GRAYRIGG CORONATION HALL

Pub Nights



5th & 19th December

Pub Grub on 5th December

Chicken in leek sauce with roast potatoes & Veg
Followed by Fruit Salad



19th December

Christmas Pub Night

Dominoes and a light supper



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Coronation Hall 200 club draw

September

1st D Galbraith

2nd P Fry

3rd Mrs R Hodgson

October

1st Mrs Marion Bird

2nd Mr R Packham

3rd Mrs D Chapman

CHURCH CLEANING

December

1st Wendy & Sally

8th Gill Yates

15th CAROL SERVICE

22nd

29th

January 2020

5th

12th

19th

26th



The rota will be in the Grapevine each month, and if anyone else would like to be added to the rota please let me know.

Thank you. Ann Kendal . Tel. 824276



LADYBIRDS



We are holding our Christmas Party on 19th and we hope to have a visit from a very special person! If you are coming, please can you bring a small wrapped and labelled gift for your child? If you need more details please give me a call/text/email or see me or Lisa Dunne at playgroup.

Any new people out there fancy a play? Sessions run from 9.30 to 11.30 for children up to school age and their families, and everyone is welcome to pop in for a coffee and snack at around 10.30.

We ask for a contribution of £2 for toddlers, £1 for babies, £1 for guests, and not more than £3 per family, and your 1st session is free. Thank you to all who continue to support us. For more information, please contact Sally Seddon Tel. 824985, or look on our Facebook page 'Grayrigg Ladybirds Baby and Toddler Group'.

HOWGILL AND FIRBANK WI

5th December-Christmas Party

Competition-Homemade Christmas
Tree decoration.

2020 2nd January-The Alexander Technique

Speaker-Alison Marsden

Competition-How many words(4 letters or more)

Can you make from

“Alexander Technique”

Interested in joining the WI then contact

Sarah Syred 015396 20667

Grayrigg Carol Singers

The Carol singers as you will see from the schedule, will be out and about again in December. We have been Carol singing every year since 1957, collecting money for the Over 60's to provide a meal and entertainment for them every March, but also for the **annual variety show** that we perform on the same evening, with proceeds going to various charities. The 2020 variety show will be on the 14th March starting at 7.30pm with proceeds being donated to *Space2Create* in Kendal. *Space2Create* use creative activity to support vulnerable adults recovering from mental or physical health problems. Please come and support this worthwhile charity, we'd really appreciate your company.



December 2019 Services at St John's Church



| | | Services | Minister | Readers | Prayers | Sides persons |
|----------|---------------------|--|--|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| December | 1st 10.00 | 1st Sunday of Advent Holy Communion CW | Canon Nigel Davies | Mrs M Pattinson Mrs K Dickinson | Mrs P Robson | Mrs H Parkins Mrs K Dickinson |
| | 8th 10.00 | 2nd Sunday of Advent Holy Baptism | Rev Kenneth Partington Mr Clifford Kendal | | | Mr R Parkins |
| | 15th 2.00pm | 3rd Sunday of Advent Community Carol Service | Mr Clifford Kendal | | | Wardens |
| | 22nd 4.00pm | 4th Sunday of Advent Evensong | Mr Clifford Kendal | Mr J Ellis Mr D Last | | Mr D Last |
| | 24th 11.30pm | Christmas Eve Prayer Book Holy Communion | Rev Kenneth Partington Mr Clifford Kendal | Mrs H Parkins | | Wardens |
| | 25th 10.00am | Christmas Day Holy Communion CW | Rev Howard Smith | Mrs K Dickinson Mrs H Parkins | | Mrs H Parkins |
| | 29th 10.30am | 1st Sunday of Christmas Holy Communion CW | JOINT SERVICE AT SKELSMERGH Rev Chris Taylor/ Canon Nigel Davies | | | |
| | 29th 4.00 pm | Evensong with the Evensong Singers | TBA | Mr D Last Mr J Ellis | | Mr D Last |

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