

# Church News

## St Charles

Along with two parishioners I joined 400+ people at the Birmingham Catholic Charismatic Renewal Week at the Paragon Hotel in Birmingham. Looking forward to some time for reflection and prayer I was to have a rude awakening. From 7.00am to 10.30pm – prayer and praise, mass talks, healing and reconciliation services left one somewhat exhausted.

However, it made me realise how much one was needed as a Priest and the Catholic community, who knew me not, made me most welcome and certainly had their pound of flesh! On reflection – very tiring but very rewarding. Do I return next year? – that is up to the Lord – for the Spirit is willing but the flesh is weak!!

Beautiful sunshine welcomed Mary Anne and Lers Swart for their Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass. With family from Manchester, Suffolk, Devon, New Zealand, South Carolina and Australia, together with a full Sunday congregation, Mary Anne and Les enjoyed a great blessing and welcome. Needless to say, the 'spirit' and good food was enjoyed on the lawn at St Charles afterwards. Ad multos annos!

Amanda (who I knew as a little girl in Kendal) and Wayne were likewise blessed with excellent weather for their wedding service and later the reception at Graythwaite Manor, whose gardens were the ideal setting for a memorable day. May God bless the young couple with a happy, blessed and long married life together.

Wasps burst into the Fr Magner Room after they had eaten their way through the hardboard ceiling panelling and left only the wafer thin coating of the paint. An inquisitive electrician, conscious of a strange buzzing, tapped the ceiling and was very quickly set on by an irate number of unfriendly wasps! Thankfully he escaped unscathed.

In the past weeks we have bid farewell to Mr and Mrs Townsend, Mr and Mrs Tomlinson and Mrs Chappell, as well as Josie Casson. All were good and faithful parishioners who will be surely missed. May the good Lord be with them in their new surroundings and may Josie rest in peace.

Dark, heavy skies of the morning and afternoon gave way to reveal enough blue to make a pair of sailor's trousers and the sun shone to welcome 52 parishioners, guests, friends and visitors on a first ever parish cruise on Lake Windermere and very successful and enjoyable it was too! I had a very pleasant chat with Nancy, a strong St Paul's devotee.

All in all a very enjoyable evening. Many thanks to the Social Committee for their efforts. Well done.

God bless  
Fr P

*PS Someone actually complimented me on my driving today. They left a little note on my windscreen. It said – 'Parking fine'*

## New Clergy in the Cartmel Peninsula Team Ministry

Two new Team Vicars have been appointed to the Team:

Rob Jackson will live in Allithwaite Vicarage, will have primary responsibility for the people of the Team living and worshipping in the Parish of Allithwaite and he will be the Lay Development Coordinator for the Team;



Ferial Etherington will live in the Vicarage at Flookburgh and have primary responsibility for the people of the Team living in the villages of Flookburgh, Cark, Holker and Ravenstow – the Parish of Flookburgh.

### Monday 20th September

On Monday 20th September at 7:30 p.m. there will be a service in St Paul's Church, Grange where Rob and Ferial will be licensed to the Team Ministry by the Bishop of Carlisle. The service will be centred on the Discipleship of all Christians in today's society. The Rural Dean of Windermere will welcome the congregation and the Bishop of Carlisle will preach.

Civic dignitaries, Officers and Councillors will be present, as will Diocesan representatives, Ecumenical leaders, Team lay members and clergy, school pupils and head teachers, also Ash Stannard the Youth worker. Many people will take part in the service welcoming Ferial and Rob to their new ministries. The service will be a splendid occasion with a great deal to see and hear – processions of churchwardens, choir and clergy, music, readings, prayers and blessings – followed by refreshments in the Grange Parish Hall.

Everyone is invited. There may be standing room only in the church but do come to enjoy the ceremony and support the new Team Clergy.

### Back to Church Sunday 26th September

Ferial will be installed by the Archdeacon and the Team Rector at 09:30 in St John's Church, Flookburgh and at 11:00 Rob will similarly be installed at St Mary's Church Allithwaite. The new clergy will formally begin their ministries in their church buildings.

Exciting services are planned for regular, new and those worshippers who haven't been to church for a while.

At Flookburgh and Allithwaite refreshments and an opportunity to meet the new clergy will follow the Service. Do come and enjoy meeting your "new vicar".

Everyone will be made welcome.

## St Mary's Allithwaite

On Saturday morning, 21st August St Mary's Church was full of relatives and friends for the funeral of Olive Fieldhouse who died peacefully at St Mary's Hospice in Ulverston. She had been a pillar of St Mary's Church for very many years giving her unstinting support to every aspect of its worship, social life and witness.

Olive, who was known for her concern that all things should be done well, took charge of the flower rota for a long time and did her utmost to ensure the continuation of the choir when its members became fewer. She and her husband Derek have also been generous in hosting a study groups at their home on Greaves Wood Road.

From the moment the Lantern Charity Shop, owned by her son Michael, was mooted she offered her practical help in planning what was needed by way of furnishings and equipment. Until recent times she took charge of the shop every Saturday. Behind all her endeavours was a warm-hearted kindness and a prayerful concern for others. She was a founder member of the Grange Play Group.

Born on a farm at Lupton, Kirkby Lonsdale in 1922 she attended Kendal High School. During the war she worked for the Ministry of Labour in London, which later became the Employment Exchange. She was transferred to the Morecambe department where she continued for a while after her marriage.

She and Derek met through their membership of the Lancaster Rambling Club and a Modern Dancing Sequence group. They married in 1952 and moved to Kents Bank in 1954. Together they completed most of the National Long Distance Trails, and were members of the Camping and Caravanning Club for 45 years. The Service, conducted by Canon David Ellis, was followed by interment in St Mary's churchyard. Olive leaves three children, John, Helen and Michael, and two grandsons. Memorial donations for St Mary's Hospice amounted to £526.

## Come and share

A meeting for worship will be held at the Cartmel Quaker Meeting House on Thursday 7th October at 10.30am.

The meeting will be followed by coffee and biscuits.

## St. Paul's Church - Grange

The illustrated talk "Himalayan Adventure" by our Rector, Nick Ash, was a great success and very well attended. The talk was interesting, informative and humorous and along with a wonderful slide show gave a real feel of the experience which he enjoyed. Refreshments were well received.

The Parochial Church Council was thrilled to receive, from Grange-over-Sands Civic Society, a Silver Award Certificate for Grange in Bloom 2010. To receive the award is recognition that our efforts to re-order the garden have been acknowledged and is indeed much appreciated.

On Wednesday 22 September at 7.30pm in St Paul's Church an "Evening with Encore" will be held. The concert will feature well known favourites from the world of Opera and Gilbert & Sullivan. It promises to be an enjoyable occasion.

All are welcome to attend. Tickets are £5.00, including light refreshments and are available from Penny Ward, telephone 33243.

## American Presidents

On Friday 8th October a lecture by Philip L Clark MA, Lecturer in American History, on American Presidents and their wars – Roosevelt to Bush – will be held at Cartmel Quaker Meeting House - at 10.30am.

The lecture will be followed by coffee, questions and discussion.

## New feature for Park Road Gardens

Recently awarded a 4th Green Flag award and the only Heritage Green Flag in South Lakeland, Grange's Park Road Gardens will have a new feature, thanks to Grange Soroptimists and the family of the late Ethel Ripley, a much loved and long-standing member of SI Grange over Sands. Ethel's family made a very generous contribution to a new feature in the Sensory Garden.

The Sensory Garden was created by Grange Soroptimists for the Millennium, from the old rose garden, and will now feature an engraved slate plaque, set in a paving surround, depicting SI Grange's emblem of an Oystercatcher. Businesses in Grange also contributed towards the cost.

The plaque unveiling will take place on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September after the Band Concert (even if wet).