

# **ISSUE FOR JUNE 2022**

#### PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk:- Gill Mason - 07882 949110. E-mail - catonparishcouncil@gmail.com

PARISH CLERK - We are looking for an experienced Parish Clerk to fill this part-time position. 16 hours a week, flexible, mainly working from home. NJC Scale 8-10, starting at £10.84 an hour.

For full information please contact Nick Heywood, the Chair of the PC on 07832 139548 or nickhey1967@ yahoo.co.uk Closing date is 8th June.

CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR - At the May meeting it was decided that Nick Heywood would continue as Chair and Jenny Walmsley as Vice-Chair.

PARISH COUNCILOR RESIGNATION - The Clerk and councillors are sorry to report that Sid Thompson is standing down as a councillor. We have valued his knowledge and advice and thank him for his years of service to the PC and to our community.

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES and other documents are stored on the village website and can be read there. The latest agenda and approved minutes are displayed on the parish boards at the Victoria Institute and outside Brookhouse Methodist Church.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - Tuesday 14 June 7pm in the Victoria Institute. Residents are welcome to attend and may raise any items of local concern in the Open Forum at the start of the meeting.

#### INTRODUCING: LUNE VALLEY METHODIST HUB

Housed in the building formerly known as Brookhouse Methodist Church, Lune Valley Methodist Hub is run by members of the North Lancashire Methodist Circuit of twenty chapels located across an area from Silverdale in the north to Goosnargh in the south. The Minister is Rev. Emma Holroyd: emma.holroyd@methodist.org.uk

Activities presently include worship services once or twice a month, a book and jigsaw exchange on the third Saturday of each month, fortnightly Bible study, craft sessions in school holidays, plus an established Art Group.

Since the invasion of Ukraine, in co-operation with the Caton and Friends of Ukraine Appeal, a drop-in centre is being hosted on Saturdays. Refugee families who are housed locally can meet together for social contact and mutual support.

Future plans include the opening of the cafe to the public on one or two days per week.

The building also offers ample scope for Community activities and rooms are available to hire, e.g. for children's birthday parties, pilates sessions, etc.

Enquiries are invited and terms are available from circuit@northlancsmethodist.org.uk

Please contact Jo Towers (Circuit Administrator) or Rev Emma at the email addresses given above if you wish to volunteer your help with the cafe or the Refugee Drop-in.

#### FIRST SATURDAY LITTER PICK

A group of residents get together on the first Saturday of every month to pick up litter and tidy the village. Meet outside the Victoria Institute at 10.00 am, weather permitting.

You decide how much time and where abouts in the village needs some attention. Half an hour or an hour can – and does – make such a difference. If you have seen an area which would benefit from a tidy up, please contact Peter Collins at the Victoria Institute (771733) and he will pass the message on to us. Last month we did some extra weeding around the Memorial Garden wall and the stretch opposite Station Garage.

Bags and litter pickers are provided, and it is a good idea to bring your own gloves. Several of our regular volunteers keep hold of their picker to use in between these sessions. Consequently, we were running short of equipment to hand out to new people. We would like to thank the Parish Council for agreeing to fund a further supply of litter pickers for us.

Next session: Saturday June 4th

#### LOTTERY SUCCESS AT St PAUL'S

St Paul's Church is pleased to announce that it has been successful with a bid for funding from the National Lottery.

This will enable St Paul's to continue the work to improve the Church Hall. As people are aware the Hall is used for the benefit of the whole community. The money will be spent on insulating and cladding the walls thereby making the building both more energy efficient and welcoming.

# CATON & BROOKHOUSE

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#### Baptist Church Artlebeck Bridge

10.30 am: Morning Service and Sunday School 6.30 pm: Evening Service

#### Brookhouse Methodist Church Brookhouse Road

Monthly services at 10.30a.m. and 7p.m. See BMC news for this month's dates

#### Caton Methodist Brookhouse Road

10.30 am: Morning Service and Junior Church

#### Catholic Church Station Yard

Holy Mass Saturday Evening 6.00pm Holydays of Obligation Mass on eve of Holyday at 6.00pm

#### St Paul's C of E Brookhouse

Sunday Communion
Service 10.00am
All Age Worship, read and led
by children – 1st Sunday of
the month
Sunday Club in the Church
Hall, all term time
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month
1st Wednesday of the month.

#### **Brookhouse Community Church**

Holy Communion 10.00am

held @ Victoria Institute 10.45 am Morning Service & Junior Church

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#### **DEFIBRILLATOR NEWS**

I am delighted to say that we now have sufficient money for the initial purchase and installation of the defibrillator at Caton Green, but I have been overwhelmed by the support so I am now looking at purchasing an additional portable device that can be available for any village events, such as on the gala field but also able to be 'signed out' by clubs and sports teams who are travelling away from the village for visits, events and tournaments. The cost will be about £800.

If you or your organisation would be able to contribute to this please let me know.

Thank you! Tricia Griffiths 07775 802676

#### **CRAFTY TOTS**

Crafty Tots is now taking a summer break during June, July and August but will be back in September. Look out for the start date in the July/August Link. There is still a waiting list but if you are interested and would like to talk to Laura please contact her on 01524 771371 or email catoncraftytots@gmail.com

#### SPORTSREACH SOCCER AND NETBALL SCHOOL

SportsReach, in conjunction with the local churches, will be hosting a soccer and netball school at Caton St Paul's School field/church hall from Wednesday 1 June to Saturday 4 June. From 10am to 4pm. Football is open to children aged 7 to 14 and netball to children aged 9 to 13. The cost is £45 per child, additional

For further details or an application form please contact Amelia Preece on 01524 771682.

#### CATON ST PAUL'S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

We had a lovely run-up to Easter with our Easter service at St Paul's Church. We also welcomed NISCU, Alan Wadsworth and Paul Boulter into school to lead worship. Our wonderful school council distributed Easter cards for loneliness around the village.

Our choir has been incredibly busy in the local area and beyond. We were privileged to be invited to sing at the Mayor-making ceremony for the new mayor, Joyce Pritchard. Our KS2 children also sang at Caton Gala and had a whale of a time performing at Young Voices at the Manchester Arena.

We continue to support wider opportunities for our children with our Y6 children playing baseball, our KS2 children taking part in cross country tournaments, cricket tournaments and athletics tournaments. We have also welcomed experienced coaches in to deliver badminton, cricket and multi-skills sessions. Our KS1 children had the opportunity to represent the school at an athletics tournament. Our aim is that all children will represent the school at sport by the end of their time here.

It was great to see our youngest children taking part in outdoor educational experiences: Reception children completed an adventure walk along the River Lune, Y1 scrambled around the shore at Silverdale and Y2 trekked up and along Warton Crag. These visits also linked closely with our Geography Curriculum.

One of our Grandparents visited school to deliver a Science session to Y5 children and we have numerous volunteers through school who bring a wealth of knowledge and experience in many areas.

Pre-school continues to grow and we have increased staffing hours to cater for these additional numbers. If you would like to view our Pre-school, please ring 01524 770241.

We welcome our new Deputy Head, Mr Ben Chaffe to the team and look forward to him bringing his experience and knowledge to school in a range of areas, particularly computing, Maths and curriculum.

We are holding a jubilee picnic on Friday 27 May in the school grounds. We have asked our parents to invite members of the community that they feel will benefit from this - speak to a parent at school if you want to come and join us, or ring the school office for more information. We are also planning a summer fair on Friday 8 July - it would be lovely to see you there!

#### CATON PRIMARY SCHOOL

In May, our Year 5s and 6s had a fabulous five-day residential trip to northern France. We stayed in a beautiful location, in the middle of the countryside and luckily the weather was very warm. The children were able to practise their language skills, see new places, try new food (including snails!) and gain independence and resilience as they ventured abroad without their parents for the first time. We visited many sights including: Etaples Military Cemetery; Le Touquet market and beach; Bruges; The Menin Gate at Ypres; and La Coupole World War 2 museum. Our adventure across the border into Belgium was very exciting! In Bruges, we took a boat trip and enjoyed the local fayre, including Belgian chocolate, waffles and moules frites. Ypres was a real highlight as we took part in the very moving Last Post Ceremony. The children were a real credit to their families and the school and we know that they will have many happy memories of their trip that will remain with them for life. Thank you to the Parish Council for their financial support in order to make the cost of the trip affordable for our families.

Thank you to everyone who attended our PTA Easter Bingo event. It was a great social event and we raised £210. Our next event is the summer family barbecue which will be held on 16th July. Save the date!

This month we have welcomed Jessica Moss to our staff team. Jess is manning our school office on Fridays. We have also had the privilege of welcoming two families from Ukraine into our school family.

Our large, detached sports hall is available to hire on a regular basis or for one-off events. It has a fullyequipped kitchen, pleasant meeting room and toilets. For further details, contact the school office (01524 770104).

#### LANCASTER SINGERS CONCERT - DARKNESS AND LIGHT

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BUSINESSES, TRADES & SERVICES - The Victoria Institute has a display board for businesses, trades and services to promote themselves. Please leave your poster, business cards etc. with Peter at the Institute.

FREE TO ADVERTISE 'FOR SALE' BOARD - Sell items for free on the noticeboard in the Victoria Institute. Collect a form from Peter in the Library/IT Room to advertise your items.

ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT FLOODING? - Floodsax are available for sale from the Victoria Institute. The cost is £30.00 for a pack of five. Please contact Peter for more information.

EMERGENCY CENTRE - The Victoria Institute is our village's Emergency Centre. If there are problems such as flooding, long periods without mains water, or power cuts, the Victoria Institute will be staffed and you'll be able to get practical help and information.

GET IN TOUCH - For all queries, including hiring the Victoria Institute please contact: -

Peter Collins the Community Centre Manager at the Institute on 01524 771733

Office Hours; Monday & Wednesday 10:00am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 to 3:00pm Tuesday & Thursday 10:00am to 12:00 noon

You can email us on: admin@victoria-institute.org.uk

Further information can be found at our website: www.victoria-institute.org.uk

Follow us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/victoria.institute.caton/

#### **GROW CATON**

I have been encouraged to see that Caton does indeed like growing veggies. The response to my message in April was great and I am meeting lovely people. There is plenty of growing space and if anyone wants to come along and help grow there is space for you. You can contact me through Peter Collins at the Institute (phone 771733 or email admin@victoria.institute.org.uk).

I am also grateful to the Victoria Institute who have agreed for a seed swap box to be kept near the entrance at the side. Do pop along to pick up some seeds or to drop some off. Enjoy growing. Brigitte Hughes

#### **GRESGARTH GARDENS**

Open Sunday 12th June.11am to 5pm. Admission for adults £12.

#### **QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE**

PLATINUM JUBILEE LUNCH - There are some places available for the free Jubilee Lunch on Saturday 4th June at the Victoria Institute, starting at 12.30. All residents are invited, and our Ukrainian visitors are welcome to join us too. Please contact Peter Collins at the Victoria Institute for more information or to book - 771733.

CHURCHES TOGETHER - To commemorate our Queens Platinum Anniversary we are having a picnic on the grass behind St Pauls Church Hall on Sunday 5th June after our own church morning services. Please bring your own picnic and we will enjoy this special occasion together.

JUBILEE BEACONS - In celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, Jubilee Beacons will be lit on Thursday 2nd June throughout the UK (and Commonwealth.) A village jubilee beacon/bonfire will be lit at the top of Littledale near the public car park (LA2 9ET). Bring your own picnic to enjoy from 7.30pm onwards. Ample, if somewhat uncomfortable seating available - it's a large but rocky field! Lighting of beacon, along with the rest of the country, at 9.45pm.

For further details, nearer the time, check the village website

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The July the 22nd trip has been reorganised for logistical reasons and is now to LIVERPOOL and not Durham. Pick up is from Brookhouse at 9.30am then on to pick up at the Victoria Institute. Other pick up points can be arranged by calling our secretary.

A meeting of all members will take place in June in the Station hotel a date and time to be

To book or for further information please call Benita on 01524 771943

#### CATON THEATRE INTEREST GROUP

We have sold all our tickets for the West End musical 'Boogie Nights' on the 25th of June at the Grand Theatre Blackpool.

Further information on our programme will be available in the next issue or by calling Jean on 01524770980 or Benita on 01524771943

#### CATON AND BROOKHOUSE GARDENING CLUB

It is Open Gardens in June, then a rest in July, and then on Thursday August 11th our proposed trip to RHS Bridgewater is definitely on. We are booked in to Bridgewater and we have ordered a coach. Any member wishing to go please ring John Cooper on 770297 to get on the list. As an affiliated society to the RHS our members will not have to pay to enter the garden, normally £12.50. This is a fantastic benefit of being a member. Those going will only have to contribute to the cost of the coach which will be £15. But we must stress that anyone going must be a member of the Gardening Club. Any one on the list who is not currently a member can join at the gala, during open gardens or just by calling Jane on 770919. It is only £3.50.

For those with mobility issues who would like to go we can pre-book mobility aids for hire. Please let John know as soon as possible so we can pre-book them. Both motability scooters and wheelchairs are available. So roll up - we have a few seats left on the coach - and take this opportunity to see the newest of the RHS gardens.

#### **CATON WI**

As it was Bee Day on 20th May, we invited John Barber, a local bee keeper, to be the speaker at our last meeting. His talk on Bees and Bee Keeping included interesting information about life in a beehive and information about the 270 different species of bees with 24 types of bumble bee and 20 types of honey bee. Did you know that Dandelions are a really good source of pollen for bees? I may not be so quick to get rid of them from our garden in future – although the hedgerow does seem to be the best place.

The next WI meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd June starting at 7.30pm. The speaker will be Dianne Mardell whose talk is entitled "The Art of Soapcraft – a journey from hobby to small business". Her talk will be interactive and there will be an opportunity to take part in fragrance testing. If you have ever thought of joining WI, why not come along - you don't have to commit yourself until you have tried it.

#### PAINTING GROUP

The painting group will meet on Thursday 9th, & 23rd June at Lune Valley Methodist Hub (formerly Brookhouse Methodist Church) from 1.30 - 3.30pm. All are welcome whatever level of skill. We ask for a donation of £2 to cover costs. Tea/ coffee included.

For more information contact Ruth 01524 770605.

#### CATON AND BROOKHOUSE OPEN GARDENS

It is Open Gardens year. Do come along on the 25/26 June and enjoy seeing some of our local gardens. At the time of writing we have fifteen gardens on view, some on one day only, with four of them new from last time and three of them opening for the first time ever. As usual refreshments will be available at some of them. You will see gardens of all shapes and sizes in all states of development and with lots of colour. We have a very interesting not-to-be-missed selection on view. Vegetables will be a big theme this year. To top it all you will be supporting a very worthwhile charity. Morecambe Homeless Action, charity 1045029, will be benefitting from half the gross proceeds.

Get your programme, priced £3.50, for the event from the Station Garage or Brookhouse Convenience Stores who have kindly agreed to sell them, or the gardens themselves, indicated by yellow and blue

Lets hope for good weather. See you there.

#### GARDENS OPEN FOR CHARITY IN JUNE IN TATHAM

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#### HORNBY PENSIONERS

#### Events During June

Dominoes Evenings will be held on alternate Saturdays on the ground floor of The Institute, beginning at 7 p.m. Those evenings being on JUNE 11th and 25th.

If you are tired of having little to watch on T.V. on Saturday nights, or you are in need of some company for a natter and a laugh, why not come along. The evenings are lighter now and venturing out is not quite so daunting. No previous experience of the game is needed and everyone is welcome.

#### **Pensioners Outings** Hooray!!

It is time to shrug off, the admittedly attractive, ties that bind us to the lovely environs of Hornby and once again to explore some pastures new. Our first excursion is to the lovely Lake district area of Coniston on Tuesday 14th June. The cost of which will be £12 for members and £14 for non members. It will be a full day out, leaving at 9 a.m. from Hornby Bank, picking up at Hornby Church, followed by the Institute. The bus will also stop at Brookhouse bus stop and Caton Institute if necessary and return by 7 p.m. at the latest. There will be an optional boat trip on Coniston water at an extra cost of £10, if anyone would like to take part in that. However please note that this is not recommended for people with mobility difficulties. The return journey will be via Ambleside, where a stop will be made at Hayes Garden Centre.

Tickets for this excursion will be available from Kath Helme, at the Institute, on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

#### HORNBY LUNESDALE PROBUS CLUB

#### June Meetings

Lunesdale Probus Club is holding regular meetings once again and enjoying a programme of diverse and interesting presentations and events. During June we have two very different subjects and speakers .

On Monday 6th June the subject couldn't be more topical 'Current trends in energy supplies'. Our speaker Brian Acott for many years had a consulting business advising Commercial, Retail and other areas on energy policies, this promises to be a lively meeting.

On Monday June 20th we welcome Commander Bernard Thompson RN. recently retired as Chief of Staff, Naval Regional Command to tell us all about Lt Cmdr. John Bridge GC GM. An ex Lancashire schoolteacher who became one of WW2s most highly decorated naval heroes as a Bomb Disposal Officer in the Blitz and a clearance Diver.

Hornby Lunesdale Probus Club meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month. Members, guests, friends and visitors are always welcome to join us at the Hornby Village Institute at 10.30 hrs for coffee and chat before each meeting. For further details or any information on this or other Lunesdale Probus Club matters please contact me at any time.

Roger Carter. Hon.Secretary; Lunesdale Probus Club. 015242 22283

#### LUNE VALLEY HEDGEROWS UPDATE

Alongside volunteers (some of whom were recruited from an item in the Caton Link in March) we were successful in planting nearly 2 km of new hedgerows on our farm at Farleton. We planted approximately 9000 plants from a blend of 7 native varieties, these being: hawthorn, blackthorn, holly, hazel, beech, crab apple and dog rose.

A massive Thank You goes to all the volunteers who gave their time, energy and enthusiasm to the planting of hedgerows, we could not of done it without you. In recognition of the contribution you gave, a donation has been made to the British Trust for Ornithology. I so enjoyed meeting you all and are very grateful that you volunteered. I am looking forward to seeing the hedges grow and to see them provide habitat and food for wildlife, over the seasons and years to come.

Together we dug the soil and planted, it's over to nature now. Many thanks, April.

#### JAZZ IN HORNBY - FRIDAY 24TH JUNE

The Tenement J.B. having had to disband, I've booked DecoDelight, our friends who have entertained us on two previous gigs. So we'll be treated to light hearted songs from Dave Lindup & Rosie Harrison, who lead the front line on trumpet and alto sax - all very foot tapping!

Usual venue: The Village Institute, Main Street (A683) LA2 8JR.

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#### LITTLE STARS TOTS' GROUP

We meet on the first Wednesday of every month at St Peter's Church, Quernmore. We are open from drop-off time at school - come any time though. We offer refreshments and an open-play session then conclude with toddler prayers and a fun singing session with pom-poms, parachutes and more from 10.30 -11.00am.

Next dates are June 1st and July 6th.

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We meet in the Victoria Institute every Sunday Morning at 10.45am. There is always a very warm welcome for anyone who joins us. Junior Church is available each week for the children. The service is always followed by refreshments and a chat.

Meet to Eat - There will be no Meet to Eat on Friday 3rd June as it is a bank holiday. The next one will be 17th June and then 1st July.

Coffee and Cakes is on the second Wednesday of every month. Wednesday 8th June this month.

Tiddlywinks Toddler Group - hi there, toddlers. We'll be having a little break on Thurs. 2nd June then all meet up again on the 9th; 16th; 23rd; and 30th June, all refreshed and raring to toddle.

10 - 11.30am; at St. Paul's Church Hall; £2 per family.

Please check each Wed. late afternoon, to see if we're going ahead. The contacts are: Linking Caton and Brookhouse OR Lune Valley Life. Thank you, the refreshed Elaine, Jim & Mary

Friday Friends please see separate article.

#### ST PAUL'S CHURCH COFFEE MORNING

The next Coffee Morning will be in the St Paul's Church Parish Hall on the second Wednesday, that is the 8th of June 2022, at 10.30. The June Coffee Morning is to support the work of the Church Missionary Society and the United Society. Both organisations work to spread the word of the Bible.

At the Coffee Morning there will be a raffle, a quiz, a cake stall as well as other stalls selling a range of produce at reasonable prices. It will give people the opportunity to meet friends and neighbours for a chat. You are most welcome to join us for coffee, tea or cold drink and biscuits.

The May Coffee morning raised £109.50 for the Church Funds. Thanks to everyone who contributed to this event, the proceeds from which will go to help the work of St Paul's Church.

Please note the change from the usual date. Next month the Coffee Morning will be held on the 8th of June.

#### SUMMER PASTORAL SERVICE FOR THE VILLAGE at ST PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKHOUSE

Everyone is welcome to St Paul's Church for the Summer Pastoral Service which takes place on the 5th of July 2022 at 2.00pm at St Paul's Church.

There will be a short service, lasting approximately half an hour. Afterwards we hope you will stay for a chat and refreshments. We hope you will join us for this short time of reflection and fellowship.

People who require transport should contact Sue Brown on 771559.

#### FRIDAY FRIENDS

Friday Friends is a group of members from Brookhouse Community Church who are getting together to sing familiar old songs and hymns. We would love to invite those living with dementia or memory issues and their carers, to come along and get involved in singing and playing percussion instruments. We believe that meeting together and singing promotes wellbeing and happiness. Friday Friends will meet on the 4th Friday of each month from 11.30am to 1.30pm at Victoria Institute. Our next meeting is on 24th June. The cost will be £2.50 per person. This will include a light lunch and a drink.

For further information please contact Pete Legg Tel:07434727620/01524771372 or email plegg822@ gmail.com

#### ST MARY'S HORNBY AND OUR LADY'S CATON

It has been 3 years but our Garden Party is back in the beautiful garden behind St Mary's in Hornby. It is on Saturday 2nd July from 2pm to 4pm and Lancaster Brass Band will be playing for your enjoyment. Refreshments will be available all afternoon and we have many stalls including plants, crafts, bottle tombola, white elephant, books and cakes. There will be games for all the family and a grand raffle to be drawn at 4pm. Admission is by donation.

We look forward to seeing you all again.

#### STATION ROAD POLLINATOR PATCHES

Last Autumn our informal Environment Group refreshed the pollinator patches at the end of Station Road. Working with Erica Sarney, the aim was to create wildflower 'meadow' areas in spaces which previously had been just rough mown grass. We planted wildflower plugs, scattered seeds, and crossed our fingers that from Spring onwards there would be plenty of lovely flowers for people and pollinators to enjoy. It is great to see so much coming up, with early primrose and cowslip, and now there is ragged robin, vetch, and red campion in the mix. Very satisfying too to see bees and other insects buzzing from plant to plant. Please do keep your eye on how things develop over the season as ox eye daisy, meadow cranesbill, knapweed and much more will be appearing in the weeks ahead. Yes, there is lots of grass too! In amongst it now is yellow rattle which over time will naturally suppress vigorous grass growth, giving opportunity for the wildflowers to thrive in the years ahead.

We plan to do more work and planting in these areas so if you are interested in getting involved, would like more information, or have comments, please get in touch with Judy Powell on 771154.

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#### June services at St Paul's

Sun 5th @ 10am - All-Age Service with baptism

Weds 8th @ 10am - Traditional Holy Communion

Sun 12th @ 10am - Holy Communion with Sunday Club

Sun 19th @ 10am - Holy Communion with Forest Church

Sun 26th @ 10am - Holy Communion with Sunday Club

A weekly online service on Weds mornings at 9:30am is also being held, please contact Paul for login details.

*Monthly prayer meeting* - Sat 18th @ 10am in the church hall - all welcome to come and pray for our church and community, with refreshments afterwards.

Thy Kingdom Come prayer event 26th May to 5th June - Between Ascension Day (Thurs 26th May) and Pentecost (Sun 5th June), St Paul's will be joining in the Archbishops' annual Thy Kingdom Come prayer event. It is an opportunity to pray for our community, nation and world, for the Holy Spirit to be poured out on us. We will be holding a Zoom prayer meeting for c.15mins each morning at 8:30am during this time, and two in-person meetings in the church hall on Saturday 28th May @ 9:30am, and Sunday 5th June @ 9:15am prior to the service. Please contact Paul for more details.

#### CATON METHODIST CHAPEL

Weekly Sunday Service: 10:30am

Jubilee Weekend - Sunday 5th June: - 10:30am. Service at the Lune Valley Methodist Hub, Brookhouse. Led by Shirley Eaton. With Jacobs Join Lunch. Everyone very welcome

Sunday 19th June our Sunday Service will be at The Lune Valley Methodist Hub, Brookhouse Saturday Soup:- Saturday 11th June at 12:30pm. Enjoy a bowl of soup and homemade cakes with friends £3.00 per person

Crafts @ Caton:- Thursday 30th June between 10-12am Come along for a coffee and chat Bible Study Live and via Zoom:- Wednesday 1st and 15th June at 7pm and Thursday 30th June at 7pm at The Lune Valley Methodist Hub, Brookhouse. A zoom link will be available from Emma if you would like to attend virtually.

If you would like to contact Emma:- Rev Emma Holroyd 01524 941266 Emma.holroyd@methodist. org

#### LUNE VALLEY METHODIST HUB(Formerly Brookhouse Methodist Church)

Jubilee Weekend 5th June - Sunday Morning Service 10:30am Led by Shirley Eaton. With Jacobs Join afterwards

Sunday Evening 7pm - A North Lancashire Methodist Circuit Service. With coffee and biscuits Sunday 19th June 10:30am - Lune Valley Cluster Service Led by Rev Emma Holroyd With coffee and biscuits

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We continue to meet for worship on Sunday at 10.30am and 6.30pm. Sunday School during the morning service. We also have crèche facilities available during the morning service.

Youth service on Sunday 12th June at 6:30pm when the young people from Quernmore will lead our service. Hot chocolate and doughnuts at the close. All very welcome.

Please also remember if you would like to know more about becoming a Christian and finding new hope in Jesus, or if you have any concerns and worries and would like prayer or a chat you can contact Alan on the above number

Ladies Fellowship:- We are a friendly group of ladies who meet once a fortnight on a Wednesday afternoon at 2pm. Our speakers always bring a devotional message and we enjoy a cup of tea, coffee and biscuits afterwards. All ladies from the village and further afield are welcome to join us and transport can be arranged if you need a lift. The dates and speakers for June are - 1st - Maurice Longton and Margaret Wright: 15th - Sue Marsden: 29th AGM - Please note the earlier start time of 11am. After the meeting the ladies will be going on their annual mystery drive and lunch out. This will be the last meeting before the summer break, but they will recommence again at the beginning of September. Look out for start date.

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It was a pleasure to support and take part in The Flower Festival at St John The Baptist church Low Bentham. It was held on Easter Sunday and Monday on a lovely sunny, warm day. The event was well attended and visitors enjoyed the imaginative floral creations on display from numerous local groups. Delicious cream teas were an added attraction!

Members enjoyed an excellent talk about "Project Trust" by Maya Clarke at the meeting on 28th May. This charity offers young people aged 17-25 years in the UK and Europe the opportunity to explore their potential through a teaching or youth development placement in Africa, Asia or Latin America. Several members have visited other Rotary clubs in our area who have been celebrating a Charter evening. Our own Charter evening was on 5th May. It was the club's 47th Charter celebration. President John Clare welcomed numerous family members, friends and Rotarians from other clubs for the occasion at the Hornby Institute. Everyone present enjoyed an excellent meal and the entertainment provided by the vocalist Rachel Mercer with a variety of classical, country, swing, ballads, folk and pop music.

As I write this we are looking forward to Saturday 14th May at the Hornby Institute for an evening of Rock'n Roll with "The Defenders". It will be a great evening with this very popular group. All profits from the evening will be donated to NW Cancer Research. Stay well, stay safe Lilian

#### APPEAL FOR UKRAINE

Many thanks again for the generous response to the last appeal. We are hopefully going to take another van load of items to the warehouse of Barnabas Fund, a Christian charity, in Swindon where it will be transported to Romania and from there will be distributed, through churches, to people in Ukraine or to the Romanian border to be given to people fleeing from Ukraine. The desperate need now is for food so that is all we'll be taking this time.

If you can spare any tinned food, especially tinned meat or fish (e.g sardines) or any dried food (e.g pasta, rice etc) then please could you bring it to 41, Fell View or please ring Suzanne Smith and I can collect it if you would prefer. If donations could be brought by Thursday 9th June please then that would be wonderful. Every little will help. THANK YOU!

#### CATON WITH LITTLEDALE PLAY PARK ACTION GROUP

Thank you to everyone who came to enjoy challenge of the Chocolate Egg hunt! Twenty four 'clue' sheets were completed, with a very close run finish for the shortest time between seventeen correct answers. Thank you especially to the helpful and friendly Scouts, who designed the questions, greeted people, gave out and marked the sheets, and assisted with refreshments and clearing up at the end. Brilliant! And thank you to the Co-op as this event was supported by a covid delayed grant. We were also pleased to be able to use the event to ask more of you what outdoors facilities you would like for the community, this time using stickers. We'll be updating on our facebook page!

#### **MOBILE LIBRARY**

The Lancashire Libraries mobile library van visits the villages regularly. The usual pattern is every three weeks, Thursday afternoon in Station Hotel Car Park 2-3.30pm and Friday in Brookhouse Methodist Church Car Park 9.30-10am. Because of the Jubilee Bank Holiday there will be no visits on 2nd and 3rd June. So the next dates are 23rd and 24th June, 14th and 15th July, 4th and 5th August, 25th and 26th August.

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The timetable shows a service leaving Lancaster to come up the valley at 1420; however experience suggests that on school days the service in fact leaves at 1400. Further information when available.

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