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ISSUE FOR MARCH 2020

PARISH COUNCIL

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SYCAMORE ROAD REPAIRS - Lancashire Highways have had a meeting with Oakmere Homes to discuss remedial work to Sycamore Road after their building work. Unfortunately there are limits to what they can require the developers to do. Oakmere recognise that they have caused damage to the carriageway, kerbs and pavements outside no. 43 - the old turning area - and will put that right. But not the additional general wear and tear all the way through to Brookhouse Road. Disappointing. But thank you to the local people who supplied photos to help us make the case. The Parish Council is contacting Susie Charles, the Lancashire County Councillor for our area, to ask if Highways can undertake resurfacing the rest of Sycamore Road and Sycamore Crescent.

DRAINS AND RESURFACING - Our thanks to Lancashire County Council who have dealt with some problem drains on Moorside Road and on Littledale Road. It is good to have had some resurfacing done on Littledale Road. Please do keep reporting faults to Lancashire Highways - sometimes there is action as a result! After the two storms in February, do report any blockages you noticed.

BULL BECK CAR PARK - Lancaster City Council has greatly improved the surface of the car park in recent weeks (although there are still some holes). We're grateful to Councillor Joan Jackson who pushed for this to be done. And many thanks to Mick Jackson, who spent many hours picking up and bagging rubbish left at the car park.

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL'S COMMUNITY CONNECTORS - The Community Connectors are a newly-formed community-based team within the City Council. They aim to help communities connect with local services and with each other. This is part of Lancaster City Council's ambition to support "Healthy and Happy Communities". They say they can help and support you with a range of projects such as setting up a coffee morning at a local church hall, running a community garden project, or establishing a residents' association. The contact for our area is Carolyne Walsh 07946 032451, cwalsh@lancaster.gov.uk

Next Parish Council meeting is on Tuesday 10 March at 7.15pm in the Victoria Institute.

CATON GALA

Caton Gala 2020 will take place on Saturday the 13th June 2020. The theme will be "Circus".

May we remind everyone that all entries to the drawing competition and the competition for the Gala Queen, Attendants and Page Boy must be returned to the schools or Mr Phil Rawsthorne, (9 Kirkbeck Close, Brookhouse) by no later than Friday 27th March 2020.

As part of our ongoing efforts to reduce congestion at the gate, entry will be by wristband. We will be pre-selling wristbands at many local outlets in the weeks prior to the Gala. These will be £4.00 on pre-sale and £5.00 "on the day".

We would love to welcome new members to the organising committee, if you can assist in any way, please contact Wendy Strickland (07855 590004) or Rosemary Horner (01524 770036). They can, as can all committee members, also be contacted by e-mail at "catongala@catongala.co.uk" or via our Facebook page. Please note that this is a new e mail address.

The next meeting will be held at 8:00 PM on Monday the 2nd March 2020 at the Station Hotel in Caton. All are welcome.

CATON CELEBRATES THE END OF WW2

At the Victoria Institute on Friday 8th May 2020-75 years on.

The opening ceremony begins at noon in the Memorial Garden.

A 'street party' has been organised in the main hall. As places are limited get your free ticket from Peter to reserve your seat at the table to tuck into a celebration lunch. Find out what life was like for everyone "at home" and how VE Day was celebrated. There will be displays by the children of Caton & St. Pauls Primary schools. Learn how to darn, sew on a button, make a peg doll, or a rag rug.

Help us create a great atmosphere and come in 1940's dress.

Saturday 9th May 7.30pm-10.30pm a 1940's Dance is being held at The Institute. Local live band 'The Billionaires' will perform for us. Dance to the sounds from the era or just come and enjoy great company, a great atmosphere and celebrate with us. 1940's dress preferred, but not essential. Tickets £7 each to include a glass of wine/soft drink. You can bring along your own bottle as well. All tickets now available from Peter at The Institute and The Station Garage. Get yours now before they all go.

POISSON D'AVRIL

In France they celebrate Poisson d'Avril on the 1st April. The Twinning Association would like to invite all school aged children to come to an evening of fun French activities and refreshments from 6.30 to 8pm on Wednesday 1st April in the Church Hall. There will be no charge but please let us know if you are coming, Merci!
tricia@marybankfarm.uk

LOCAL NEWS OF CATON & BROOKHOUSE

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Baptist Church Artlebeck Bridge

10.30 am:

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Sunday School*

6.30 pm: *Evening Service*

Brookhouse Methodist Church Brookhouse Road

10.45 am:

*Morning Service and
Junior Church*

7.00 pm: *Evening Service*

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 9.30am*

*All Age Worship, read
and led by children – 1st
Sunday of the month*

*Sunday Club for children
each week in the
Church Hall.*

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CATON AND BROOKHOUSE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Following elections at our A.G.M. in January the following members were elected.
Chair: Jean Askew. Treasurer: Glen Stevens. Secretary: Benita Smith. For a full list of the committee members, application forms for membership and 2020 programmes please contact our secretary.

We have a treat in store for our March 19th meeting 2pm in the Victoria Institute. Kitty Browns of Carnforth will be giving us a preview of their Spring and Summer collection in a fashion show. Entrance fee £3.00 at the door members and non members all very welcome.

There will be an opportunity to purchase clothes and accessories following the show. We will organise a raffle, surplus to needs Xmas presents for prizes will be very welcome.

The first coach trip on the 16th of April has changed to Boundary Mill only, not combined with Skipton. Pick up at 9.30am from Brookhouse then on to pick up at the Victoria Institute. Other pick up points in Ingleton, Melling and Hornby can be arranged.

For further information please contact our secretary Benita on 01524 771943

CATON LEISURE CLUB

The very popular chair exercises continue with Norma, Mondays 9.00-10.00 in the main hall. Leisure Club membership is required at £5.00pa with weekly class fees of £2.00 per session. Then why not pop next door to the Thomas Storey Room to hear one of the speakers and of course a cup of tea/coffee and a biscuit.

2nd:- Susan Treverton "Jacobite Journey" We travel from Fort William to Mallaig then cross the water to Eigg. Enjoy the journey and learn some history on the way.

9th:- Jeanette & Berend "Namibia" - Namibia is a country in the south western portion of Africa. Previously known as German South West Africa before its independence. We will be visiting the Etosha Game Reserve in the north and working our way south to see a meteorite, a petrified forest, taking a trip into the desert for close encounters with its wildlife, into those majestic sand dunes and culminating with a hot air balloon over the dunes.

16th:- David Aris "The history of the Liberty Ship" - David is originally from Sunderland, a big ship building area. He has a degree in Marine Engineering and has fitted diesel engines in big ships. He has also had his own ship management company. At the outbreak of WW2 Britain had the biggest navy in the world that was decimated by the Nazis. Churchill sent shipbuilders to USA to buy second hand ships. There were none. What happens next is the topic of David's talk.

23rd:- Claire Asplin "Accidental Archeologist"

30th:- Pat Ashcroft "Irish Horsepower" - Pat tells the story of the time she spent living in in County Wicklow, Southern Ireland and driving a horse drawn tinkers van.

This year's trip is to Ripon on 27th April. Cost £5.00 for members. Non-members £12.00

Caton Short Mat Bowls meets on Thursdays at the Victoria Institute 10.00-12.00. during the Winter months (October - April), in the Main Hall. New members welcome. If you would like to join us then contact David on 01524 812342 or just turn up.

For further information call Susan on 01524 771862 or check out the website <http://www.catonvillage.org.uk/caton-leisure-club>

CATON THEATRE INTEREST GROUP

Our next theatre visit is to the Theatre by the Lake in Keswick for a matinee performance of the musical 'Evita' on Saturday 2nd May, music by Andrew Lloyd Webber and words by Tim Rice. This popular show tells the powerful story of the rise and fall of Eva Peron.

Cost for coach and a seat at the front of the balcony is £32.00 to be paid on or before the 7th March to ensure your booking. All our tickets are now reserved we have started a waiting list for cancellations.

Pick up as usual 10am from the Victoria Institute then on to pick up in Brookhouse. Other pick up points in Ingleton, Melling and Hornby can be arranged.

For further information call Benita on 01524 771943 or Jean on 01524 770980

FRIENDS AGAINST SCAMS

Have you ever been scammed or had phone calls from people who you believe are trying to scam you? At last month's WI meeting, Nicola Pietragalla from NatWest bank told us about Friends Against Scams which is a National Trading Standards Scams Team initiative which aims to protect and prevent people from becoming victims of scams by empowering them to take a stand against scammers. Some of the scams which are being attempted a lot at the moment involve Amazon and the National Lottery. She certainly made us much more aware of the scammer's tricks and how to deal with them.

At our next meet on Thursday 5th March, Philip Rawsthorne will be showing us how to propagate our plants. The meeting starts at 7.30pm in the Victoria Institute. If you are thinking of joining the WI why not come along? Members are reminded that Jean Bolland is responsible for flowers that evening and the hostesses are Maureen Hayes and Mary Headley. Our competition, which raises money for charity, is for a plant pot.

CATON AND BROOKHOUSE GARDENING CLUB

We forgot to mention at our February meeting that Barbara gives her talks to raise money for the Lifeboats. Our donation went to them so thanks to Barbara and all who came for supporting this worthy cause.

Next month we will be very pleased to welcome Susan Rowley, head gardener of Sizergh Castle, to come and talk on the wonderful Sizergh gardens. No doubt many of us are members of the National Trust so it

will be good to hear about the efforts that are being made to sustain one of the many places we support. The time and date are Thursday 12 March at 7.30 pm in the Victoria Institute. Do come along, members and non-members alike, to welcome this distinguished visitor. Then the next meeting is the AGM on 9th April where as usual we will all discuss the future of the society.

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FLOODSAX FOR SALE - Floodsax are available for sale from the Victoria Institute. The cost is £5.50 per
sack, £27.50 for a pack of five. The recommendation is for 5 floodsax per property, two each for the front
and back door and one for use in the toilet. 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.BUSINESSES, TRADES & SERVICES - The Victoria Institute has allocated a display board for businesses,
trades and services to promote themselves. Please leave your A5 poster, business cards etc. with Peter at
the Institute.FREE TO ADVERTISE 'FOR SALE' BOARD - People are selling items for free on the notice board in
the Victoria Institute. Collect a form from Peter in the Library/IT Room to advertise your items.

ROOM HIRE - Have your party, meeting or special event at the Victoria Institute.

We have a modern, fully equipped kitchen including a six ring gas hob stove, dishwasher and hot cupboard.
We also have information on Caterers for your convenience.With a choice of rooms, we have everything you need to make your event a great success. Call in, Peter will
be happy to show you around or get in touch with himSpecial rates are available for extended functions (8 or more hours, booking two or more large rooms) and
multi room events.DROP IN SERVICES LIBRARY & IT ROOM - The Library and IT Room is open 9.30am to 3.00pm Monday
to Friday and has a good range of books. There are a small number of jigsaws that can also be borrowed.We have 5 computers with Internet access and a 'multi-function' printer which also serves as a photocopier
and scanner. Paper sizes A4 and A3 can be printed or copied in mono and full colour. You also can bring
along your laptop or tablet and connect to our Wi-Fi (for the same IT costs). We have a paper shredder to
dispose of your confidential and unwanted documents.

FAIRTRADE TEA & COFFEE - The Cottam Room is open Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 3.00pm.

A mug of Fairtrade tea or coffee and a biscuit is only 80p, local newspapers are available.

HERE TO HELP - Peter Collins, our Community Support Worker is here to help. Peter will help with a
variety of admin tasks and on-line services.

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

Peter Collins the Community Support Worker at the Institute on 01524 771733

We are open between 9.30am and 3.00pm, Monday to Friday; there is a telephone answering service out of
hours, holiday closure dates displayed on our website: You can email us on: admin@victoria-institute.org.
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<https://www.facebook.com/victoria.institute.caton/>**CATON WITH LITTLEDALE PLAY PARK ACTION GROUP**Do you or your family and friends use the Play Park on Fell View? If so, please support our new User Group!
We need to make sure the Play Park is kept clean, tidy, and safe, and that repairs are done which maintain
the award winning design. Please come if you can to a meeting on Monday March 2nd at 7pm at the Victoria
Institute (Victoria Room) to help protect the wonderful play experience our children and families enjoy.**PERSONAL ASSISTANT NEEDED**Female retired language teacher in Hornby with MS seeks female personal assistant to help with some physio
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at Queen Elizabeth School, Kirkby Lonsdale 7.30pm.Tickets £12.50 are on sale at the T.I. Kirkby Lonsdale or by contacting Nigel Pullen on 01524 732873. Come
along and enjoy a great evening of music from the 50s and 60s featuring The Kinks, Cliff and The Shadows,
Elvis, the Beatles, Gene Vincent and many more! It is the kind of music that will make you "wanna dance".
All profits from the ticket sales will be donated to The NW Air Ambulance. A special thank you to Kirkby
Lonsdale Brewery for generous sponsorship support.

President Dave and all the club members look forward to welcoming you.

TWINNING TRIP TO SOCXWe will be travelling to visit Socx from the 2-5 July. It is always a great weekend away for all ages - guaranteed
new friends, great food, drink, visits, dancing and lots of laughter. The children will have the opportunity to
go to a French school for the day.We would also like to take part in a football tournament- so if you are interested in finding out more or want
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CATON PRIMARY SCHOOL

In February, to coincide with safer Internet day, our pupils learnt all about how to stay safe online and made very informative presentations about what they had learnt in a special assembly for parents. We also organised a workshop for parents and other adults about the potential dangers their children face online and how to mitigate these.

Class 1's trip to the Lake District was a great success. The children had been learning all about the Lake District National Park as well as the life and works of Beatrix Potter so a trip to Beatrix Potter World, followed by a visit to Brockhole was a perfect way to bring their learning to life.

Class 1 has also been very lucky to gain a wonderful, spacious canopy in their outdoor area, thanks to money raised by the PTA.

Our next community event is Easter Bingo which will take place on Thursday, 2nd April with eyes down at 6pm. Everyone is very welcome whether or not you have a child in school. We would love to see you!

Our sports hall is a very popular venue for parties and regular meetings but we still have availability. If you are looking for a one-off or regular venue that is spacious, clean and warm with a fully-equipped kitchen and lots of parking space, contact Tracey Howarth on 01524 770104 for further information.

B4RN HYPERFAST BROADBAND

The monthly cost of £30 for the B4RN service has never increased, something that can't be said for many broadband providers. Existing B4RN customers who took out a Vonage telephone service may be now able to save some money. If you have had the Vonage service for over 10 months! Ring them now to qualify, the landline call option is reduced from £10.25 to £6.87, and the £16 tariff to £10.05. Just dial 150 from your Vonage phone, and choose option 3.

BROOKHOUSE NEWS - Welcome to new residents who have moved into the village who are planning to get connected to the B4RN network. If you live in certain areas in the south of Brookhouse you may be able to get connected. Please register at b4rn.org.uk/postcode-checker. You are responsible for getting the conduit across your garden by digging a small trench, we can advise on the best routes and fit the house kits ready for B4RN engineers to 'blow fibre' and carry out engineering work to get you a live fibre service.

Work continues along the north side of Brookhouse Road toward Artle beck and soon towards Chestnut Avenue. *Next meeting Thursday 12th March at 7:30pm, Black Bull*

CATON NEWS - Caton is back to the drawing board! Having had real issues with getting permissions for routes through the village, and with an improved government voucher scheme, B4RN head office is drawing up plans for contractor build through pavements, where necessary. This incurs much greater cost which can be offset by the new voucher scheme. However, we will need to ensure a good take up of connections! "Traditional" B4RN build would still happen where possible. Hopefully we will have more news at the next monthly meeting. *Next meeting, Monday 9th March at 8pm, The Station Hotel.*

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – SHOE BOX APPEAL 2019 – THANK YOU

A massive thank you once again to all who donated items for the community packing day and took time out on the Saturday to come and fill the boxes at church. I think it's fair to say that a good time was had by all. It is so rewarding to be involved in this project, and it's great to see people returning year after year having enjoyed it last time. We packed 399 boxes on the day and items we were not able to use in the boxes went to QES and Caton St Paul's to help the Lancaster Homeless as well as some going to Women's Refuge and International Aid.

Special thanks go to all the volunteers who picked up boxes from all over the North Lancashire area, as well as the checking and packaging team who checked the boxes here in Brookhouse Methodist Church (BMC) over a two week period, and who came from as far away as Settle, but also from within our own village as well as all the local churches.

Caton St Pauls School had a non uniform day to raise funds to buy items for their shoeboxes and the following week all the juniors visited BMC to pack the items into shoeboxes and learn about why some items can't be sent and why it is so important that we do these shoeboxes. As always the children had lots of questions to ask and thoroughly enjoyed their time packing boxes for less fortunate children.

The final number of boxes for the whole area was 1580 individual shoeboxes which were put into 150 cartons and loaded onto a lorry in BMC car park by more volunteers. The lorry left us to pick up from another centre in the north west and was then headed for The Ukraine (the same destination as last year!).

After a brief rest, it's nearly time to start preparing for the coming year. Due to reorganisation in Samaritans Purse we will not be checking boxes this year but we will still plan to host the packing day and be a drop off location for boxes in 2020. We do collect items all year round so if you have anything you can drop it off at BMC when it's open for activities (Cafe open Mon-Wed 9am -2pm) or call me to arrange. Please note however we can no longer send sweets or toothpaste due to customs regulations.
Thank you, Sara Tyrer 07977 289009

VILLAGE LUNCH CLUB

There will be no village lunch club in March this year because of the weekly Lent lunches on Thursdays throughout March at St Paul's church hall. We shall start again after Easter. Contact Sue Brown for details. Everyone welcome.

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All walks depart from Hornby Car Park, 9.30am prompt. Dogs are not permitted. A contribution of £3 per person for the greater distances and £2 for the shorter distances towards fuel cost is expected for these walks. All telephone numbers are the Hornby code 015242 unless otherwise shown. It is expected that all walks of a 7/9 miles distance will finish no later than 5.30p. If you have any concerns regarding the terrain or the time of return, please contact the leader before setting off. All Welcome.

HORNBY OCCASIONALS

Gilbert and Sullivan's, *Princess Ida* Nightly at the Hornby Institute, Matinee on Saturday
Wednesday 22nd - Saturday 25th April 2020

HORNBY PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION

A Big Thank You to all members who braved a very windy evening to attend our AGM & Jacob's Join Supper in February. The business part of the evening was soon completed & we are delighted that Anne Nash has volunteered to join our Committee. Otherwise it remains unchanged. It was agreed that in future our evening meetings & coffee morning refills should be free, and that the Christmas Party should be free to members aged 90 & over.

March Meeting: at 7pm on Tuesday 10th, Sue Seddon is coming to tell us some "Tales of Morecambe Bay".

Advance Notice: Please note that our April meeting will be on the 7th, which is the FIRST Tuesday of the month, when Joanne Halliwell will be relating the latest adventures of "The Scullery Maid". Always a very popular occasion.

Games Evenings: This month our Whist & Dominoes evenings in Hornby Institute will be on Saturdays 7th & 21st March. Admission including light refreshments & 2 free raffle tickets costs £2. Play starts at 7pm prompt, and everybody is very welcome.

LUNE VALLEY SWIMMING POOL - MORE GOOD NEWS

A very good start to the new decade with more public swimmers taking full advantage of the range of activities on offer. Because of this we have been able to revise some of our earlier cost reduction measures.

Saturday Morning swims. Following several requests we have re-instated Saturday morning sessions starting on Leap Year Day Saturday 29th February, Lane swimming 9-10 and public swimming from 10-11. Saturday afternoon is available for private family bookings.

Parent and Toddler -We've introduced a brand new Parent & Toddler 30-minute 'Splashing Tots' swim session. This fun pre-school splash-around session is aimed at parents with pre-school aged children.

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The George and Dragon Angling Club have vacancies for junior (5 - 16 yrs) and senior (16+) members for 2020. The junior section concentrates on coarse fishing where coaching is given, for complete newcomers to the sport, basic fishing equipment can be provided. Please note that junior fishing events require parental transport and supervision. The club has access to river beats for game fishing, two sporting trout waters and our own coarse fishing lake. We also cover sea fishing with both boat trips and shore fishing.

The club prides itself on being a family friendly club and has a number of social events throughout the year. For more information please contact:

David Holden 01524 720706 - for information regarding junior membership

John Holcroft 015242 22362 - for information regarding senior membership

GREGGARTH GARDENS

Gresgarth Gardens are open on the second Sunday of every month from February through to October. From 11am. Admission £10.50 in February, March and November includes a mug of hot chocolate. Other months admission is £10. Accompanied children free. Open Sunday 8th March.

PAINTING GROUP

The painting group will meet on Friday 13th & 27th March at Brookhouse Methodist Church from 1.30-3.30pm. We are a friendly group and everyone is welcome whatever their level of skill.

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Weekdays...see Parish Newsletter (Copy in Church porch) Confessions: Before Masses & at St. Peter's Cathedral – Saturday 11.00 – 12 noon 5.45 pm – 6.15pm Children's Liturgy – Each Sunday during 11.00am Mass except 1st Sunday of the month.

CHURCH TOGETHER IN CATON AND BROOKHOUSE

This years Women's Day of Prayer will be held at the Catholic Church on Friday 6th March at 2:00pm. Refreshments at the close.

The Lent Studies are again being held at Caton Baptist Church at 7:30pm with the usual tea/coffee and biscuits at the close. All welcome.

10th March – Paul Boulter – Can we really trust the Gospels?

17th March – Andrew Champley – Why the cross?

24th March – Alan Wadsworth – Why the resurrection?

31st March – Roy Burley – Why do people suffer?

ST PAUL'S CHURCH BROOKHOUSE COFFEE MORNING

The next Coffee Morning will be at the Parish Hall on the 4th of March 2020 at 10.30. As usual there will be a raffle, a quiz, as well as several stalls displaying 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 February Coffee morning raised £151.50.

CRAFTY TOTS

Crafty Tots is a fortnightly toddler group held in Caton Baptist church.

Sessions start at 9:30am until 10:30am and are open to pre school children from the age of 18 months +. Come and join us for crafts, stories and singing with a brew for the mums (and dads or grandparents)

To book a place email catoncraftytots@gmail.com or contact Laura on 01524 771371. The cost will be £2:50. The dates for March are 11th and 25th.

SATURDAY SOCCER AND NETBALL

Saturday soccer and netball will now be running monthly rather than weekly, the first Saturday of each month. If you have never been before we meet at Caton Community School playing field/Sports Hall 10 - 12 noon. Football is for children aged 7 - 14 years and netballers aged 9 - 13 years.

Please make sure you have the correct foot wear. A drink and biscuit will be provided, cost is £1. The date for March is 7th. Please come along and join in the fun!

OASIS CAFE

Oasis Café is open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9.00am to 2.00pm at Brookhouse Methodist Church. If you need a place to relax and meet others over a coffee and cake or a light lunch you will be welcome here. Toys are available if you want to bring young children.

WORLD OF PRAYER - 6TH MARCH

Come along to Our Lady's Caton at 2.00pm to reflect and pray on this special day. Refreshments to follow.

LENT LUNCHEAS AT ST PAUL'S BROOKHOUSE

There will be a series of lunches held during the Lent period. These will take place in the Parish Hall at 12.30 on the following Thursdays;

5th, 12th, 19th and 26th of March. Each lunch will cost £3.50 and the money raised will be given to Samaritans. Everyone is invited to attend to enjoy a period of fellowship and reflection, as well as supporting this worthy cause.

VISITOR'S SERVICE

Have you ever wondered what Church is all about?

If so on Sunday 8th March Caton Baptist Church are having a special visitors service at 10:30am when our pastor Alan Wadsworth will be leading the service. There is a bring and share lunch at the close and you are most welcome and come along and see what goes on!

CATON BAPTIST CHURCH WOMEN'S ANNIVERSARY

Caton Baptist Church Women's Anniversary is on Sunday 15th March when Sue Gilmore will be our speaker at both services 10:30am and 6:30pm. A bring and share lunch will be enjoyed after the morning service Everyone most welcome.

MISSION ALBANIA COFFEE MORNING

There will be a coffee morning and cake stall on Saturday 21st March from 10.00am to 12.00 noon in aid of work with poor families in Albania.

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Alpha Course - the next Alpha Course run by St Paul's will be held on Thursday evenings, starting on 27th February at 7.30pm at the Vicarage. Lasts 11 weeks with a break over Easter, light refreshments provided. Alpha is an opportunity to explore the fundamentals of the Christian faith in a relaxed, open environment. All welcome, contact revpaulboulter@gmail.com, see www.alpha.org.uk/tryalpha

Lent lunches - join us for a simple lunch of soup and bread each Thursday in Lent. 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th March at 12:30pm in the Church Hall, cost £3.50, all welcome.

Coffee morning - Wednesday 4th March at 10:30am in the Church Hall, all welcome to come for tea/coffee, a chat and a quiz.

CATON BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Alan Wadsworth. 01524 771371. Please check out our church website. There will be more details of activities and up to date news of our church - www.catonbaptist.org.

Our Sunday services:- 10:30am and 6:30pm. A warm welcome to everyone.. Children's Church is for children 3 - 14 and runs during the morning service. An all age family service is every second Sunday of the month at 10:30am.

Sunday 9th February:- Youth Service at 6-30pm followed by tea/coffee/hot chocolate and doughnuts. All welcome.

Ladies Meeting:- Our ladies meeting is held fortnightly on a Wednesday, in the Sunday School room at 2pm. After the service light refreshments are served when you can enjoy a chat over your cup of tea. This is such a friendly group and a very warm welcome is extended to all. If you haven't been before and would like a lift please contact Judith on 01524 770872.

The dates for March are - 4th Mrs Marcie Potts, 18th Les and Christine Kelsall.

Alf Club:- (All about Life and Faith) is a group for primary aged children which is held in the Sunday School room from 6 - 7pm every Thursday (term time only) The hour is packed full of games, DVDs, stories, refreshments, crafts and lots of fun. Come along and bring your friends.

Bridge Cafe:- Open on the first Friday of each month. - 10:30 to 12 noon. Come and enjoy a toasted teacake with your tea/coffee. Come and go as you please or stay the whole morning and enjoy catching up with your friends. All welcome. The date for this month will be **Friday 6th March**

CATON METHODIST CHAPEL

Weekly Sunday Service:- 10:30am With Sunday School and coffee

All Age Worship:- Sunday 1st March 10:30am - With Paul Bowden -With coffee and biscuits

Saturday Soup :- Saturday 14th March 12:30pm. Enjoy soup and homemade cakes with Friends
Everyone welcome £3.00 per person

Bible Study:- 9th and 23rd March 7pm - With Rev Andrew Champley - Finishing with Hot Chocolate

Crafts @ Caton:- Thursday 26th March 10-12 - Come with your knitting and crocheting or any crafts and enjoy a chat over a coffee.

BROOKHOUSE METHODIST CHURCH

Our Sunday services are at 10.45am and 7pm.

Please come and join us - everyone welcome. Junior Church, which is for children from 3 to 14, is during the morning service and finishes at approximately 12.15pm. There is also a creche for the under 3s.

Tiddlywinks - Every Thursday morning from 10 to 11.30am and is £1 per family. 0-4 year olds please bring a responsible adult with you!

Meet to Eat - Hot meal followed by pudding and a cup of tea at a cost of £5.00 per person. This will be on Friday 6th and Friday 20th March, then every two weeks thereafter at 12:30pm. If you would like to come but need a lift please call Tom Mason on 770257.

BMC YOUTHCLUB

BMC Youth club" every **Friday 7pm to 9pm.** at Brookhouse Methodist Church, aimed at 11 to 16 year olds, games, fun and tuck shop, free entry, all welcome. For any further info contact plegg822@gmail.com

VISIT OF ALBANIAN PASTOR

Pastor Erion Sylari will be speaking at Brookhouse Methodist church on Wednesday 11th March at 7.30pm. He will talk about the work his church is doing, especially after the recent earthquakes, and also about the school that has been started which is associated with his church. This will be a very interesting evening so please come if you can.

MOVIES IN THE PEWS

The next date for Movies In The Pews 2020 is, March 13th. For further information please contact Sue or Helen by email on moviesinthepews@gmail.com

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