

# WASHBURN & MID-WHARFE CHURCHES MAGAZINE

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Fewston with Blubberhouses

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## Village Church Services June 2023



Please check on [www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com) for up to date information.

<b>4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Trinity Sunday (Gold / White)</b>
9.30am	Weston Morning Prayer ( Book of Common Prayer) (TD)
11am	Fewston Holy Communion (TMC)
9.30am	Leathley Holy Communion (BM)

<b>11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Barnabas the Apostle (red)</b>
11am	Denton Family Service (FD)
11am	Fewston Holy Communion (CL)
9.30am	Farnley Morning Service (TD)

<b>18<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Second Sunday after Trinity (Green)</b>
9.30am	Weston Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) (TMC)
11am	Blubberhouses Family Service (TMC)
9.30am	Leathley Family Service (JC)

<b>25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Third Sunday after Trinity (Green)</b>
11am	Denton Holy Communion (TMC)
9.30am	Farnley Holy Communion (SH)



## Services at Norwood Methodist Chapel 2023

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 2:30pm  
- Worship with Holy Communion  
Shannon DeLaurel HC presiding

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June at 2:30pm  
with Roberta Topham presiding.

9<sup>th</sup> July with Shannon DeLaurel HC  
presiding

23<sup>rd</sup> July with Roger Smith presiding

13<sup>th</sup> August 13 with Cameron Stirk  
CA presiding

27<sup>th</sup> August with Tim Perkins HC  
presiding

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## The View from the Vicarage

The Coronation Service was a deeply moving service, steeped in symbolism and tradition. There was that special moment before the Coronation itself when King Charles said a prayer seeking to follow Christ's example. Prayer is not only important in the life of our Monarch but it is so important for all followers of Jesus.

Jesus himself spent time in prayer, spending time with his Father in Heaven, he made time to be alone with him, to simply be in his presence. With prayer so many things are possible, even those things we feel are "impossible". In our own strength we cannot succeed but with the grace of God all things are possible.

Prayer can lead us individually into a deeper relationship with the one who leads us on to be involved in the work of the Kingdom, in our Benefice and in our communities.

I would like to invite you to spend some time with me in prayer. I will be in Church (please see below) to say Evening prayer at 4pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday starting on the 26 June.

It would be good to Pray together for each parish that makes up the Washburn & Mid-Wharfe Benefice. To Pray for growth individually in our spiritual lives and also for numerical growth for all our congregations. I do hope you feel able to come and join me at some of the prayer times listed.

Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	All Saints, Weston
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	St Michael & St Lawrence, Fewston
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	St Oswald, Leathley
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	St Helen, Denton
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	All Saints, Farnley
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	St Andrew, Blubberhouses
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	St Oswald, Leathley
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	St Michael & St Lawrence, Fewston



Every Blessing  
Teresa

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## News from Norwood Chapel

Dear Friends,

Do you enjoy walking? Do you ever just put on your shoes and head out the door not knowing where you will go, but just embracing the joy of going on a walk? My family and I have a dog, so we walk her daily. In some ways, that's a different kind of walk; that is walking with a purpose to exercise our dog (and ourselves too!).

Have you ever been on a purposeless walk? By that I mean you're not walking to get to a certain destination or to walk a certain distance. You're just walking around your village or the countryside to be curious and attentive . . . to see what you can discover and to be more aware of your surroundings.

Recently, I attended a retreat in Wydale Hall near Scarborough and our focus was to walk without a purpose, like mentioned above. Instead, we took a walk where we solely focused on the five senses: sight, smell, hearing, touch, and taste. For the sense of taste, we brought along a snack so we weren't at risk for eating something we shouldn't! This walk was amazing. We were outside on the beautiful grounds of Wydale Hall being curious and playful like children. We touched dainty dandelions, listened to the variety of birds singing, watched the ewes and their lambs nearby, and smelled the damp air after a brief rain shower. In some ways, we felt more alive as we became more attentive to such things. I felt more in awe of our Creator and his handiwork as we spent time outside. Being in God's beautiful creation has a way of bringing peace to my mind and soul.

There were things that surprised me as I went on a wander: Did you know that it's difficult to feel the wispy, white seed head of a dandelion with the palm of your hand? But if you turn your hand over, you can feel the light feather-like touch on the back of your hand! Who knew?! And I didn't realize how noisy a herd of sheep could be and how different their voices are! They were having a conversation, going back and forth, for a good while. One ewe's voice was so deep, I thought she could sing the part of a male baritone in an opera! What a splendid discovery.

Since the weather has improved, I encourage you to go for a purposeless walk, be attentive and be open to discovery. Here are some suggestions from our retreat leader, Dr Pat Bennett from the Iona Community, for an attentive walk in your own garden or in a public space:

- *Choose a particular colour and then find it in different places in your garden. Explore the different textures, smells or shapes in each instance. You could make a colour map for the garden.*
- *Look for 'made' objects around the garden and think about the different stories they might be telling.*

## News from Norwood Chapel continued

- *Walk in different parts of the garden bare foot --- use your toes as the primary means of exploration in your chosen spot.*

Remember you have been wonderfully and fearfully made by God. Use all your senses and your mind to explore the natural world that God has given to us. You may be surprised by the joy of your discoveries!

In closing, I want to offer you two quotes from the Scottish poet Thomas A. Clark about walking:

- *A journey implies a destination, so many miles to be consumed, while a walk is its own measure, complete at every point along the way.*
- *In the course of a walk, we usually find out something about our companion, and this is true even when we travel alone.*

Happy walking!  
Summertime blessings,  
Rev. Shannon



## Farnley Estate Womens Institute



Summer is nearly here and if you need some inspiration come along to our next meeting on

June 14th when we will host a demonstration from Susan Robertson who will be giving us **ideas for summer entertaining**. this is a ticket only event, the cost will be £5 and you can get your ticket from Susan Kerridge, our president, (see below)  
Following on, on July 12th we will be at **Braythorne Community Orchard** to learn more about this initiative from the founder Jenny Lawrence who created it as a response to concern over the amount of imported fruit on our supermarket shelves.

We have a full programme arranged for the rest of the year including the **journey of lifetime** from Jackie Goodwin who visited the **Galapagos Islands**.

We are a small but very friendly WI normally meeting on the second Wednesday of every month at Leathley Village Hall at 7.30pm.

If you would like to come to any of the events above or want to know more about our WI please contact Susan Kerridge our President on 07716 024650 or by email to [susankerridge@btinternet.com](mailto:susankerridge@btinternet.com).



# Community Notice Board

## From the Registers

### Baptism

30th April 2023     Elliot Timothy Shaw at All Saints Farnley  
 30th April 2023     Felicity Betty Kay at Saint Oswald's Leathley

### Weddings

20th May 2023     Anna Crook and Sam Lendhill at All Saints Farnley  
  
 27th May 2023     Amy Houldsworth & Michael Alan Charles smith at All Saints Farnley



## Denton Flower and Cleaning Rota For June, ~ August

4 & 11 June     Ann Chadwick  
 18th and 25th June Helen Cobleay  
 2nd and 9th July Karen Boothman  
 16th and 23rd July Hilary Crawford  
 30 July 6th August Sue Wood

## Weston Flower and Cleaning Rota for June and July

4th & 11th June Stephen & Marlene Turnbull  
 18th & 25th June Mrs A Ainley  
 2nd & 9th July Mrs H Pullan  
 16th & 23rd July Sally Stanley



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## Fewston Parochial Hall



The Teas, lunches and homemade cakes will be served  
 on Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th June and the bank holiday Monday  
 from 10.30 am until 4.30 pm.

All proceeds to the Friends of Kettlesing School.



## Fewston Foxy Ladies



## Scalpel to Spade

Join us on Tuesday 20th June in Fewston Parochial Hall at 7.30pm.  
 Helen Neane will be taking us from Scalpel to Spade.  
 sounds intriguing!

If you want any more info, give Gillian a ring on 01943 880362; Shirley 01423 770281; Mary 01943 464507; Sheila 01943 468741; Joan 01943 466789; Margaret 01423 806151 or Ann on 01423 771393  
 See you there!,

## A date for your diary

Denton and Weston will be holding their Parish Barbecue on Saturday 12th August at St Helen's Church Denton.

All welcome!

More details later

## Askwith Ladies Social

The Askwith Arms is currently closed for refurbishment so the social evening will restart once the pub has re-opened.

Thanks Anne - ( Tel: 07713884328 Email: [laeatham@gmail.com](mailto:laeatham@gmail.com))

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# Leathley Parish Room Domino Drives 2023



Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November

Pork Pie and Mushy Peas Supper included  
(Vegetarian Option on request)  
Cash Bar- Raffle - Prizes

**All welcome, whether a seasoned pro or never picked up a domino before, any age that can stay awake until about 9:30. Please let us know by the Thursday before so we can be sure to have enough pies!**

**Over 16 to 90 - £4.00  
Under 16 - £2.00  
90 and over – free, wonderful to see you**

Tickets;  
Ann, John or Anne (Booking Secretaries) on 07802 212111  
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The Three Inch Fools present

## ‘ROBIN HOOD’



**AT FARNLEY HALL  
ON SATURDAY JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup>**

Outdoor performance at 7:00 PM.  
Gates open at 6:00 PM  
Picnic's Welcome

TICKETS: [ghfawkes@btinternet.com](mailto:ghfawkes@btinternet.com) / 07741492717  
Standard Ticket £18  
Concessions for under 18's and families

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## Askwith Primary School

Ofsted rated *Outstanding November 2022*

We have places available in Nursery and Reception for September 2023!

**Please come to visit us:**

KS2 Art Exhibition

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2023 from 3pm

EYFS and KS1 Creativity Exhibition

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2023 from 3pm

For more information  
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## Norwood Social Hall

# DOMINO DRIVE

**Dates for 2023**

**8<sup>th</sup> September**

**20<sup>th</sup> October**

**8<sup>th</sup> December**

(Christmas Hats & Jumpers)

**Everyone Welcome**

**7pm**

**Hot Supper    Raffle**

**15 & under £3**

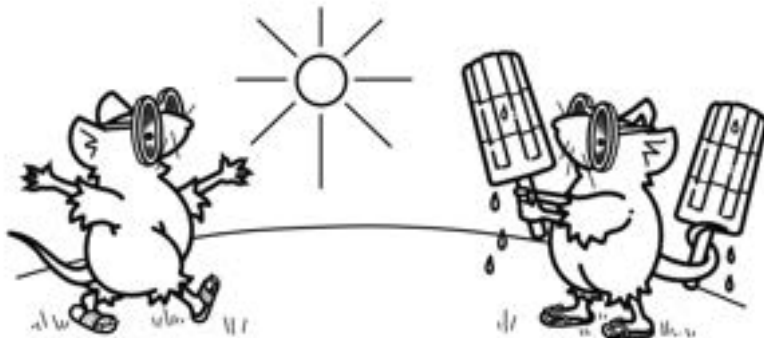
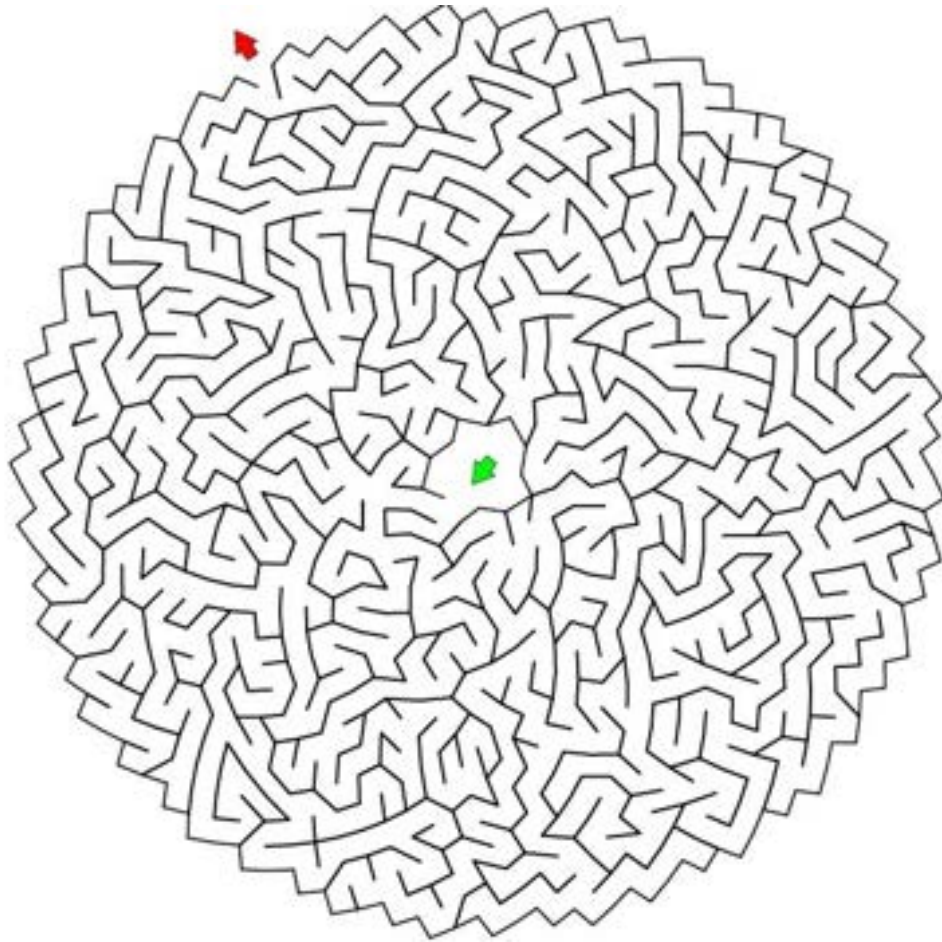
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**Come & join the fun!**

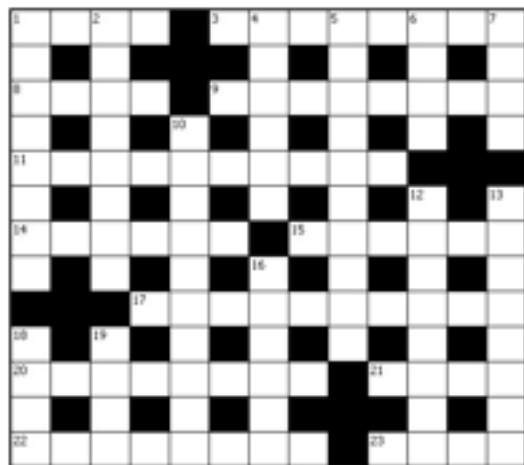
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# Story, puzzles and colouring-in



## Crossword Puzzle



23 and 1 Across 'The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of — to work it and take — of it' (Genesis 2:15) (4,4)

Down

1 Struggle between opposing forces (Habakkuk 1:3) (8)

2 James defined this as 'looking after orphans and widows in their distress and keeping oneself from being polluted by the world' (James 1:27) (8)

4 'The one I kiss is the man; — him' (Matthew 26:48) (6)

5 'Be joyful in hope, patient in —, faithful in prayer' (Romans 12:12) (10)

6 St Columba's burial place (4)

7 Swirling current of water (4)

10 Loyalty (Isaiah 19:18) (10)

12 'God was pleased through the foolishness of what was —, to save those who believe' (1 Corinthians 1:21) (8)

13 Camp where the angel of the Lord slew 185,000 men one night (2 Kings 19:35) (8)

16 'There is still — — — Jonathan; he is crippled in both feet' (2 Samuel 9:3) (1,3,2)

18 David Livingstone was one (4)

19 Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority (1,1,1,1)

Across

1 See 23 Across

3 Where the thief on the cross was told he would be, with Jesus (Luke 23:43) (8)

8 Invalid (4)

9 Blasphemed (Ezekiel 36:20) (8)

11 Adhering to the letter of the law rather than its spirit (Philippians 3:6) (10)

14 Shut (Ecclesiastes 12:4) (6)

15 'This is how it will be with anyone who — up things for himself but is not rich towards God' (Luke 12:21) (6)

17 Mary on Isis (anagram.) (10)

20 Agreement (Hebrews 9:15) (8)

21 Native of, say, Bangkok (4)

22 Deaf fort (anagram.) (5-3)



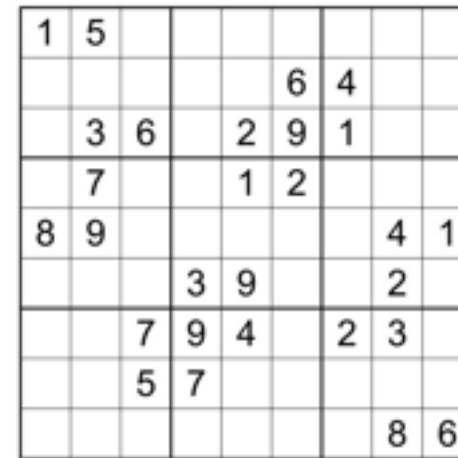
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Feed  
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Sheep  
Keys  
Kingdom  
Gates  
Hell  
Binding  
Loosing



## Sudoku





# Bible Bite

## A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in  
Genesis ch 25:19-33, 27:1-42

Jacob had cheated his father and brother, and had run away to stay with his uncle Laban. On the way there...

Jacob saw angels and heard God.

I will be with you



At Laban's house, Jacob met his cousin Rachel



Work for me for 7 years and you can marry her

7 years later



Can I marry Rachel now?

But Laban tricked him into marrying her sister Leah



So Jacob worked 7 more years to marry Rachel



Then he said to Laban

As you aren't paying me wages, can I have the black sheep?



Laban agreed, but that day he moved all the black sheep far away



But God blessed Jacob and his black flock grew



Laban became very jealous of Isaac



Your father doesn't like me any more. We need to go back to my home.



They waited until Laban was away...



but he was told ...



## The tale of the RICH FOOL



JESUS OFTEN TOLD STORIES WITH HIDDEN MEANINGS



ONE STORY WAS ABOUT A MAN WHO HAD LOTS OF LAND WHICH GREW WONDERFUL WHEAT.



I HAVEN'T ANYWHERE TO KEEP ALL THIS FOOD



I KNOW! I'LL PULL DOWN MY BARN AND BUILD BIGGER ONES



THE MAN DEMOLISHED HIS OLD BARN...



...AND BEGAN TO BUILD NEW ONES



SOON I'LL BE THE RICHEST MAN IN THE TOWN!



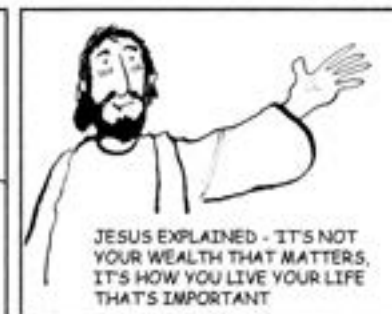
I'M SO LUCKY - I CAN EAT, DRINK AND BE MERRY!



BUT THAT VERY NIGHT, THE MAN DIED!



WHAT GOOD WERE HIS RICHES NOW?



JESUS EXPLAINED - IT'S NOT YOUR WEALTH THAT MATTERS, IT'S HOW YOU LIVE YOUR LIFE THAT'S IMPORTANT










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### Mouse Makes

The Lord said to Moses,  
"Your brother Aaron shall tell Pharaoh to let the people of Israel go out of his land... The Egyptians shall know that I AM the Lord when I stretch out my hand against Egypt..."  
As Pharaoh's heart was hardened against the Israelites, God sent ten plagues upon him...

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## Farnley Estate Young Farmers Club



To start off April we had a sheep kenneing evening, this was a fun evening involving some rather lively sheep and was a great activity in the build up to the district rally.

On the 12<sup>th</sup> we did pig judging, the results were:

### Juniors

- 1<sup>st</sup> Ellie Inman 95
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Charlie Ryder 94
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Izzy Bush 93
- 4<sup>th</sup> Eleanor Ashby 92
- 5<sup>th</sup> Bell Owers 91
- 6<sup>th</sup> Will Morphet 90

### Intermediates

- 1<sup>st</sup> Daisy Roberts 97
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Emma Goulding 96
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Jacob Ryder 95

### Seniors

- 1<sup>st</sup> Billie Towers 97
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Charlotte Towers 93
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Emily Bradley 83

On both the 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> we had sports and tug of war practice in preparation for the district competitions.

On the 25<sup>th</sup> some of our members competed in a judging competition for Otley show, we did very well and came home as the overall high scoring club, as well as some individual awards, well done to all involved.

As always if you are aged between 10 and 28 and are interested in joining us please contact our secretary Rebecca Ryder on 07487399562

Ellie Inman



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## Askwith and Weston Womens Institute



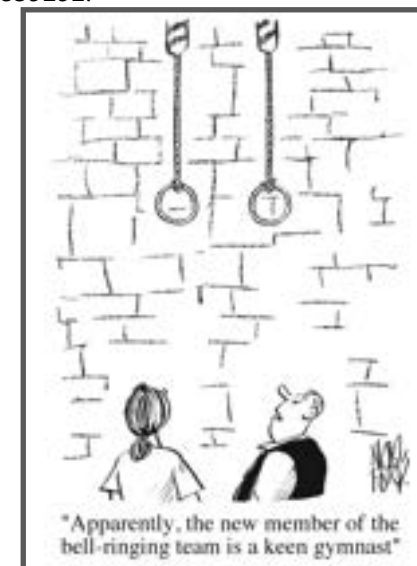
Our May speaker had to cancel at short notice but luckily she provided us with another author, Julie Fearn, who talked about her first self-published novel 'Northern Pole'. Julie was raised in Bradford to a Polish father and Irish mother and the book is based around her parents experiences, particularly her father's who was imprisoned by the Gestapo in war torn Warsaw. He survived and at the end of the war eventually came to northern England but he couldn't leave his past behind. The novel's a combination of fact and fiction and Julie explained how much later in life she attended creative writing courses which eventually led to writing the book. She was an excellent speaker and there were lots of questions afterwards.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June when Meg Morton will take us on a photographic walk around York Gate garden.

We're members of the North Yorkshire West Federation of WI's who offer excellent courses, talks, and visits throughout the year and we also have our own walking group, and our own first trip of the year to Wentworth Woodhouse takes place next month.

We're a friendly group of women from diverse backgrounds and meet on the second Thursday of the month at 7.30pm. From April to October we meet at Askwith Village Hall and from November to March at Kirklands Community Centre in Menston and we always welcome visitors and new members from all around the area.

So if you're curious and would like to know more about the WI why not come along to Askwith on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm. or if you'd like more information you can contact Andrea on 01943 462163 or Sue on 01943 839292.



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## Mistle Thrushes

are large songbirds usually seen in parks, gardens, woodland and scrub. They are around regularly on the golf course I play, but I have yet to see one in my garden – only the occasional Song Thrush. Their common name probably derives from their love of mistletoe, whose sticky berries they really enjoy, though in Britain and Ireland mistletoe isn't common enough to be a major food item.

Once a Mistle Thrush has found a berry-laden tree, whether mistletoe or holly, it will challenge any would-be thieves. It appears that resource guarding birds produce bigger clutches earlier than those that are less aggressive. Their attentions also help mistletoe to spread its seeds by wiping their bills to remove the sticky residue, and, of course, dispersing them in their droppings.

Mistle Thrushes eat insects and spiders in the summer as well as worms, slugs and snails, which they open on an anvil like Song Thrushes. In the winter they eat berries, especially holly, hawthorn and ivy.

The Mistle Thrush is one of our larger thrushes, being slightly bigger than a Blackbird and noticeably more so than a Song Thrush. As well as its larger size, the Mistle Thrush often appears more plump-bellied and has a proportionally longer tail. When on the ground, Mistle Thrushes often adopt an upright stance which is one of the easier ways of distinguishing them from Song Thrushes.

Their upperparts are a pale grey-brown

(colder in tone than those seen in the Song Thrush) and the white underparts are heavily marked with brown spots. Their underwings are white, which contrasts with the colour seen in Song Thrush. Their long tail has distinctive white tips to the outer feathers. The legs are a pale yellow-brown.

Mistle Thrushes often produce a series of harsh chattering notes (a sort of rattling call), nothing like as melodious as the Song Thrush particularly when alarmed or disturbed. Their loud song consists of a series of short phrases, rich in nature and of a tonal quality similar to the Blackbird. This song is usually delivered from a high perch and is characteristic of early spring or even late winter, often in strong winds, hence its country name 'Storm Cock'.

Gardens are an important habitat for both of our resident thrushes, whose numbers have been in decline for many years. Mistle Thrush numbers have declined by 30% over the last 25-years though there seems to have been a sort of stabilisation latterly with 'only' a 6% reduction between 2010-2020.

One possible contributing factor to these losses has been highlighted by some new research led by BTO scientist Ailidh Barnes which has revealed a dramatic fall in earthworm populations, with numbers shrinking by a third in the last 25 years. This decline has been most severe in broadleaf woodlands.

Mistle Thrushes are red listed in UK as Birds of Conservation Concern, though not in Europe generally, with a UK breeding population of around 165,000 territories at the last count in 2016.

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They are widely, though not frequently, recorded in gardens and are even less often encountered from mid-July to mid-September, post breeding. Adding seeds and fruit to your bird feeder can be a good way of attracting them if they are in the vicinity.

If you find the lives of our garden birds to be of interest and would like to join

in and count the feathered occupants of your garden, please visit the BTO Garden BirdWatch website ([www.bto.org/gbw](http://www.bto.org/gbw)). If you know of an organisation which would like a talk on garden birds, contact Mike Gray via [gbwmike@gmail.com](mailto:gbwmike@gmail.com).

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## Washburn Heritage Centre

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The Tea Room at the Heritage Centre is now operating on summer hours, which means we are open **SATURDAY** and **SUNDAY** every weekend from 11-4pm. We welcome **NEW VOLUNTEERS**. If you can spare a few hours at the weekend once a month we would love to see you in the Tea Room. It's a busy environment, warm and friendly, but you are rewarded with cake!

Our new programme **BEST DAYS OF OUR LIVES?** launches on Thursday 1 June at 6pm with our Preview for Members at the Heritage Centre. Members will have an opportunity to listen to a speaker who was brought up in the Valley during the 1970s and went to Fewston School, as well as viewing the new temporary exhibition which accompanies the programme. We hope there will be something in the programme to interest you.

### Events in June:

Toys in the attic, Charlie Hartley  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm

Who hasn't got a treasured old teddy bear lurking in their loft? Could it be worth a fortune? Our speaker, an auctioneer from Hartley Auctioneers and Valuers in Ilkley, will show us some examples of old toys and invites you to bring along long-loved playthings of your own. He will select some of these and tell you more about them and their value. Light refreshments served. Cost £8 member, £10 non-member.

Family walk and treasure hunt  
Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June, 10am – 1pm

Fun for all the family on our activity

day for children and adults. Led by a qualified Forest Schools teacher, the day will include a treasure hunt, forest activities, competitions and quizzes, finishing with a delicious picnic. Children aged 5-11 welcome and must be accompanied by their parent/carer. All tickets priced at £6 member, £7.50 non-member.

Summer Solstice nightjar walk  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June, 6.30pm – 10pm  
Nightjars provide one of this country's most impressive wildlife spectacles – with their other worldly "churring" song and acrobatic courtship display. Join us on this special woodland and moorland walk to find these intriguing birds, as well as a chance of seeing and hearing several species of owl. After a light supper at the Heritage Centre, we will take a short drive to our secret location where we will wait for the sun to set and the nightjars to appear. About 3 miles with some gentle hills. Cost £12 member, £15 non-member.

Elysian Singers  
Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June, 7pm – 10pm  
This choir was formed in Wetherby in 1971 as a Madrigal group but have extended their repertoire, although retaining mainly unaccompanied beautiful singing. They perform to many local schools as well as church groups. The Heritage Centre is delighted to welcome them and invites you to come along and enjoy their music. Wine and canapes will be served. Cost £15 member, £18 non-member.



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## Washburn Heritage Centre

Farnley Hall

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2pm – 4pm

This 17<sup>th</sup> century Grade 1 listed building has been home of the Fawkes family, both children and adults for almost four centuries. Ruskin and Turner were frequent visitors, with Turner treating it as his second home. The present owner, Guy Fawkes, will treat us to a guided tour of his home followed by light refreshments. Cost £18 member, £20 non-member.

Programme leaflets are available to collect from the Heritage Centre and local public places, for example libraries and tourist information outlets.

Please contact Jenny at the Centre to book any of these events. Telephone 01943 880794 or email [centre@washburnvalley.org](mailto:centre@washburnvalley.org)



### Recipe – Blackcurrent Jam



This Recipe is reproduced from the All Saints Weston Recipe book, that was first printed 1<sup>st</sup> December 1956. 52 years later it was discovered by Reverend M Wilkinson in his mothers possessions and reprinted again. He dedicated it to

"Edith and all the other saints who made their Contributions"

66 years later we are sharing the recipes again but this time in the magazine. Thank you to the people of Weston for their recipes

#### Ingredients

1 quart \* Blackcurrants  
3lbs sugar  
1 pint of water

#### Method

- Boil fruit and water for 20 minutes
- Add the sugar and boil for an-

- other 5 minutes quickly
- Put a spoonful on to a saucer to check that it will set.
- Wait for it to cool and then spoon into air tight jars.
- Cut disks out of cereal packets (or similar) to place on top of the jam before ceiling the jars.

\* a quart is equal to just over 2lb in weight.

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## All in the month of June

It was:

400 years ago, on 19<sup>th</sup> June 1623 that Blaise Pascal was born. This French mathematician, physicist, inventor, theologian, and philosopher invented one of the first mechanical calculators.

300 years ago, on 16<sup>th</sup> June 1723 that Adam Smith was born. The 'Father of Economics', this Scottish economist and philosopher is best known for his book *The Wealth of Nations*, the first modern work on economics.

175 years ago, on 7<sup>th</sup> June 1848 that Paul Gauguin, French post-impressionist artist, was born.

150 years ago, on 5<sup>th</sup> June 1873 that the great slave market in Zanzibar (now part of Tanzania) was closed after Britain issued Sultan Barghash bin Said with an ultimatum to close it or face a blockade.

125 years ago, on 9<sup>th</sup> June 1898 that Britain leased Hong Kong from China for 99 years, and it became a British Crown Colony. It was transferred back to China in 1997.

75 years ago, on 21<sup>st</sup> June 1948 that the ship HMT Empire Windrush docked in London, bringing the first large group of immigrants from the West Indies to the UK.

Also 75 years ago, from 24<sup>th</sup> June 1948 to 12<sup>th</sup> May 1949 that the Berlin Blockade and Airlift took place. The Soviet Union began a rail, road and canal blockade of Berlin, cutting off all routes between West Germany and West Berlin. The Allies launched a massive airlift – over 200,000 flights –

to take in nearly 9,000 tons of supplies each day.

70 years ago, on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 1953 that the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II at Westminster Abbey took place. It was the first event where the British TV audience (20 million) was greater than the radio audience (12 million).

65 years ago, on 9<sup>th</sup> June 1958 that London's Gatwick Airport was officially opened.

50 years ago, from 16<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> June 1973 that Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev visited Washington DC and said that the Cold War was over as far as the Soviet Union was concerned. He and President Richard Nixon signed a major accord on arms limitation and the prevention of nuclear war.

Also 50 years ago, on 28<sup>th</sup> June 1973 that elections were held for the Northern Ireland Assembly. It began operating on 1<sup>st</sup> January 1974, but collapsed in May. It was re-established in 1998 but collapsed again in 2017. It was re-established in January 2020, but collapsed in February 2022. The seventh Assembly met in May 2022, but has not been able to meet since, as the DUP refuses to assent to the election of a speaker as part of a protest against working under a Sinn Féin first minister.

40 years ago, from 16<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> June, that Pope John Paul II visited his native Poland. He held a private meeting with Lech Walesa, the founder of the banned trade union Solidarity. Walesa became President of Poland in 1990.

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30 years ago, on 19<sup>th</sup> June 1993 that Sir William Golding, British Novelist and winner of the 1983 Nobel Prize in Literature, died. Best known for his novel 'The Lord of the Flies'.

25 years ago, on 11<sup>th</sup> June 1998 that

the UN declared an official famine in Sudan. About 250,000 people were saved by international aid, but up to 100,000 died in South Sudan. A ceasefire in the Second Sudanese Civil War was signed on 15<sup>th</sup> July but collapsed in April 1999.

20 years ago, on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2003 that the Wikimedia Foundation was founded in Florida. The non-profit charitable organisation operates several websites, including Wikipedia.



### **Saint Michael And Saint Lawrence Church, Fewston Otley Brass Band Concert to celebrate the Coronation on 7th May 2023**

Thank you to everyone who supported this national celebration at Fewston Church. Otley Brass Band were on top form with a varied programme making wonderful music and a great atmosphere.

Sincere thanks to the talented ladies who made the delicious cakes – appreciated by the Band and audience.

### **A memorable historic occasion celebrated! Long Live the King.**



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## This Modern Technology is Beyond Me!

A server stores stuff in a cloud in vain,  
I thought a cloud was for storing rain.

Easter Day Jesus Woke from the dead  
No more to be said, I'm off to Bed.



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Continue earthing up the potatoes

June is the month when all the garden flowers and plants begin to come into their own, rewarding you for all the hard work of the last few months.

Enjoy!



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