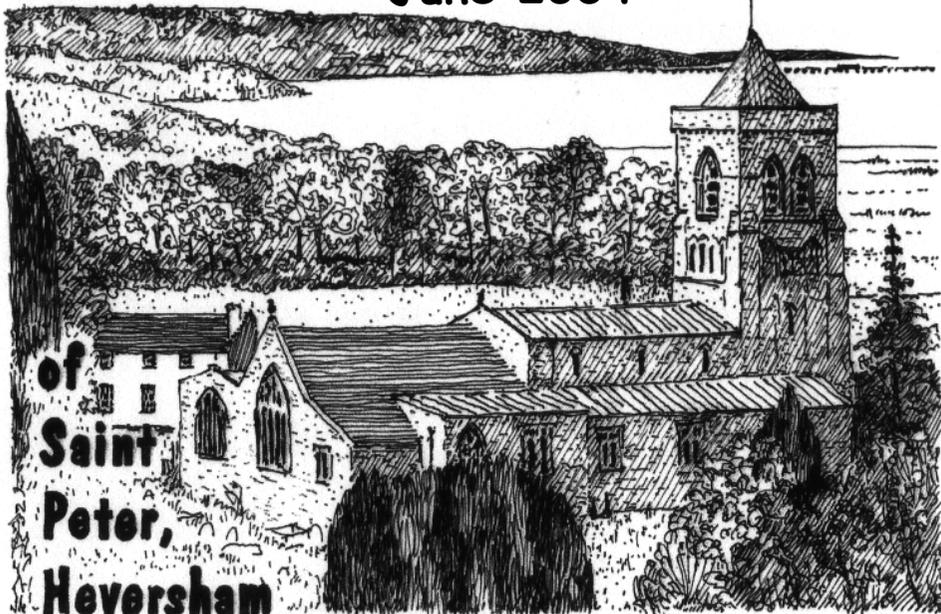


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June 2004



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Heversham



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My dear Friends,

At the end of this month Peter and Thomas will be joined by John. I refer, of course, to the fact that Levens will be joining Milnthorpe and Heversham as the Kent Estuary grouping begins to take shape. Our three parishes are as different as the three apostles whose names we bear, yet they worked together effectively for the advancement of the Kingdom of God each contributing their particular gifts. In this I am not suggesting that our parishes have the same characteristics as 'our apostle'! There is a John, a Thomas and a Peter in us all, but the one I would like to focus on this month is the one whose 'day' it is on 29th June - Peter.

I have heard eloquent sermons basically saying that it is fine to make a mess of things, like Peter, and that God understands! I am sure He does, but that is not the point because we are looking in the wrong place. Each time before Peter 'blew' it he had made some profound statements or done some remarkable things. He had exclaimed 'You are the Christ!' - a momentous statement - but his 'arithmetic' did not add up to the same as God's. If Jesus were Christ, as He was, then Peter thought the suffering Jesus spoke of should not happen. He had to come to see things in God's way. Peter began to sink. True. But he could not have begun to sink unless he had climbed out of the boat and been on the water in the first place. He took Jesus at his word but then adjusted his focus - what was now in sharp focus was not Jesus' word but the surrounding turmoil.

The good news is that each time Peter failed Jesus picked him up, forgave him and commissioned him to be His witness, and Peter learned from each of these incidents.

What does all this say to us? We, like Peter, are fallible people. In spite of knowing the truth we get things wrong but, unlike Peter, we are very reluctant to take any risks and get out of the boat of our own 'comfort zone'. But remember that the person who never got anything wrong never did anything. We are embarking on a journey of faith with all the potential of getting lost. I expect John, Thomas and Peter wondered what was going to happen when the Holy Spirit launched them out into the deep waters of the world to be Jesus' witnesses.

I believe that our coming together is so that we can be more effective in being Jesus' witnesses as each exercises the giftings God has given them. As we get out of the boat of the familiar and launch out into the deep it is vital we keep our eyes focussed on Jesus. There will be those who will seek to point out the waves of doubt and advise 'caution'. My prayer is that we will keep our eyes focussed on Jesus and that we will, in His strength, 'walk on the water' and so be proclaimers of the Kingdom of God in deed and word.

Just a thought! The Israelites trusting in God crossed the Red Sea without getting their feet wet!

With every blessing.

Yours sincerely,



Kent Estuary Developments As you will have read in my letter Levens Parish has asked to join the Heversham and Milnthorpe benefice. We will begin our working together at the **Commissioning Service at St. John's Parish Church, Levens on Monday 28th June at 7.30 pm.** The service will be similar to the one when Heversham and Milnthorpe joined together in December, 1992. I hope that many from our congregations will be able to go to that service so that there will be no mistaking the warm welcome we extend to Levens as they join with us. This is a great opportunity for us all and I trust we will grasp it because we can be more effective for God's Kingdom together than we can be separately.

Special Services and Events at St Thomas', Milnthorpe

John Ladell

It was with great sadness that the Editorial Team learned of John's death on the day of their meeting to edit this magazine. We will leave it to others to write of his life and his involvement with so many village organisations; we send our sincere sympathy to Alwena and the family.

"June brings poppies, lilies, roses, fills the children's hands with posies", says our monthly rhyme. Flowers can say so much, conveying messages of faith, hope, love, sympathy, and thanks. Especially at our great Church festivals, we see our Churches decorated brightly with flowers of Thanksgiving and on Mothering Sunday, the children have posies for their mothers. Thanks be to God – not forgetting the beautiful wild flowers of our countryside!

United Services held in May, were particularly memorable at both Churches. It was wonderful to welcome Baroness Cox at each Church, and to hear her speak at St. Thomas' about "Miracles of Protection, Provision, and Grace". Baroness Cox is President of Christian Solidarity Worldwide. Thank you, Vicar John, for inviting her!

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2004 INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE FAMILY

At the May meeting of the Milnthorpe-with-Heversham Mothers' Union, the service was held by Pat Radcliffe, with a Bible reading by Joan Ellam. It was announced that the MU Swanwick Convention for 2005 will be held 27-29th April – one name was taken to attend the event.

Canon Ellis was welcomed as speaker, along with his wife, his subject being *St Francis for Today*, accompanied by many lovely slides.

4 They described how they joined an arranged

pilgrimage to Assisi along with a large group, sleeping in monasteries along the way, and occasionally outdoors! They visited many sites associated with St Francis, especially buildings and areas at Assisi. The following year, they travelled the same journey, but with easier transport!

Gwen Tuer expressed sincere thanks.

Members were told that the patterns for the MU 'gowns of love', are now available in various sizes, 15"-22", with doll sized patterns for jackets and bonnets – small embroidered crosses to be incorporated.

The next meeting is on June 7th at St Peter's Church 2.30 pm, when we will be joined by our link branch for a Service of Holy Communion followed by a Jacob's Join tea – members are asked to contribute food please.

Special music

International Tenor Wynford Evans has visited us again at the invitation of Glyn Hopkins. On Saturday May 8th, Wynford held a Master Class at St. Thomas Church, during both morning and afternoon. On Monday, May 10th, an evening concert of song by talented soprano Tracie Penwarden, was given at St. Thomas Church. Her entertaining special included a wide range of both classical and modern songs, accompanied on the piano by Glyn. Both events were part of a musical weekend, celebrating the 2nd anniversary of the Milnthorpe and Arnside Music Festival. Thank you Glyn!

Milnthorpe Methodist Church's Centenary

Celebrations continue, and on Bank Holiday Monday more than 40 people, led by Roger Bingham, took part in an historic walk around Milnthorpe. The party left the Church at 8.30 am, following Roger, and heard about various historic places of interest, finishing along the Strands. The hungry walkers returned to the Church, and were served with breakfast at 10.30am After expenses, proceeds were for the Church's Restoration Fund. On Friday, May 14th a Celtic Harp concert was given at the Methodist Church by Cumbrian harpist

Special Services and Events at St Peter's, Heversham



NISCU (Northern Inter Schools Christian Union) Lent Project

NISCU South Lakeland were tremendously encouraged by the gift of £1900 sent by our two churches. Thank you to all who contributed so generously and prayed for the work during Lent. Please continue to support NISCU in your prayers, something greatly appreciated by the team of workers.



Christian Solidarity Worldwide -CSW

Thank you to all who came to hear Baroness Caroline Cox speaking about the persecuted church on Friday May 14th and Sunday May 16th and who again gave so generously to support the work done by CSW. We were privileged to hear Caroline speaking about the faith and joy of those who are ready to suffer and indeed to die rather than deny Jesus. Please continue to support our Christian brothers and sisters in prayer - something that Caroline made clear is what they value most from us.



WOW— Window on the World

The next WOW meetings are 7.00pm for 7.30pm on Monday 7th June at Pat Radcliffe's home, Sunny Vale, Heversham, and Monday 5th July at Ron and Rhona Rutter's home—Ellerslie, Woodhouse Lane, Heversham.

Please come along and find out more about the worldwide church

Rhona Rutter

Bolivian Visitors and a Conference for S. American Mission Society SAMS

At the WOW meeting on 3rd May we were challenged and excited by the visit of Rosa and Lico Bascunan from Bolivia. We heard about the growth of their daughter Church in just 8 months from 0 to 80 adults and 70 children. They shared with us the leadership training for growth, where one person passes on the training to another 3 and so on. We were especially challenged by the commitment of both churches to prayer. This visit continued for us as they and Chris and I were all at the SAMS and Crosslinks Conference in Derbyshire. It was a good weekend with so much to challenge in the way we see mission as we heard about Christian Service and commitment throughout S America, Iberia and the world. The central message of the Cross and Resurrection is central to all we do in mission here and overseas. We were asked to think about this. Why mission? How are our churches involved in mission both here and abroad? How can we work in partnership together with our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the world?

Elizabeth Bennett

5 - 11 year olds...

Are YOU ready to find out more?

Fun Day

on Friday August 20th

-watch out for details-

SPOTLIGHT ON SPORT

CROQUET

Whence CROQUET sprang to benefit the earth,
What happy garden gave the pastime birth,
What cunning craftsman carved its graceful tools,
Whose oral teaching fixed its equal rules?

These questions have never been answered satisfactorily but what is clear is that few games can be played by such a wide range of people as CROQUET. The reason for this is that CROQUET is a game of pure skill; brute strength counts for nothing and a powerfully built CROQUET player has no advantage over one of slender physique. Moreover CROQUET has an excellent handicap system that enables a beginner to play against scratch players. CROQUET can therefore be played by young and old, male and female alike. Which sports can offer contests where women play on equal terms with men, where players in their early teens can play against those in their eighties? Many, on having to give up more active sport are heard to exclaim 'I wish I had taken up CROQUET years ago!'

Clubs offering facilities are presently few and far between but the recently founded WESTMORLAND CROQUET LEAGUE is right on your doorstep in the beautiful garden setting of Levens Hall. Membership fees are modest and initial tuition is free with mallets available.

CROQUET requires a feel or touch for single-ball shots matching that of the bowls player - as well as the skill of a good snooker player in controlling the path of two balls in the CROQUET shot from which the game derives its name. It has much in common with snooker in its breakbuilding but has the advantage of being played in the open air.

For more information and to arrange free trial game contact Peter Wardle on 62370.

The Milnthorpe Art Exhibition 2004

will be held in St Thomas' Church from Thursday July 22nd to Sunday July 25th. Opening hours are 10am to 7pm daily apart from Sunday when we shall be closing at 3pm. The exhibition is organised by Milnthorpe Men's Forum and this year the profits will be divided between the Church, Alzheimer's (South Lakes area), the Macmillan Appeal and the Christmas on the Green event. If anyone would like to assist with the construction (July 11-21), stewarding and catering (July 22 -25) or dismantling (July 25,26th) your help would be greatly appreciated. Please ring me on 64082.

Geoff Gregory

SPEEDING IN MILNTHORPE

Vehicles travelling at excessive speeds have caused concern in the village for some considerable time – particularly on the A6 and Crooklands Road. So it's good to hear that our local Police Officers are now carrying out speed checks in the village – offenders can expect to be dealt with appropriately.

Save money, points on your licence – and possibly somebody's life.

- Observe the 30mph limit

PARKING ON MILNTHORPE MARKET SQUARE AND ADJACENT ROADS

We noted in an earlier Parish News that SLDC parking attendants were soon to recommence patrolling the village centre.

This is now imminent. The parking attendants will be empowered to issue penalty charge notices to motorists who fail to observe the parking regulations. These are on display in the Square and on affected roads. Parking discs are available, free of charge, from local shops and businesses.



THE PINBOARD

We invite you to join us at
**MILNTHORPE
 METHODIST CHURCH**
 in our Centenary Year for
A UNITED SERVICE
 with
MILNTHORPE CHURCHES
 and
**KENDAL UNITED REFORMED
 CHURCH**
SUNDAY 27 JUNE at 6.30 pm

Milnthorpe Residents' Association

Next Meeting Tues 22nd June
 at The Cross Keys Hotel at 7.30 pm
 Agenda will be put on notice boards
 in the Village

There will be a cricket Match
 Heversham vs Hincaster/Woodhouse
 this summer
 Look out on the village boards
 for the date

Wine Tasting Evening with Booths Kirkby Lonsdale

at The Athenaeum, Leasgill
 on Friday 25th June, 7.30 for 8.00pm
 Try 3 white wines, 3 red wines with a
 light supper

Tickets £7.50 from
 Jane Cushnie 64582
 or Marjorie Balderstone 63614



Add the CDC to your Shopping list on Market Day !

From 11th June, and throughout the
 summer the CDC will be also open
 Fridays 9am - 12noon

- * confidential access/help to the
 Child Tax Credit Website to work
 out your entitlements
- * Also every month will feature
 a different website -
 June's is the Age Concern Website

CALL IN - IT'S TOTALLY FREE
 Open for Learndirect Fridays 9-12
 all summer too.

Any questions Telephone: 64896

 * Please come and support a *
 * Bric-a-Brac and Cake Stall *
 * in aid of *
 * Marie Curie Cancer Care *
 * at St Thomas', Milnthorpe *
 * on Friday June 11th *
 * 10am – 11.30am *
 * All funds raised go to fund *
 * nurses working in the local *
 * area *

Coffee Time @ The Old School

Next to St Peter's, Heversham
 Tuesday 8th June
 10.00 am - 11.45 am
 Cup of Fairtrade Coffee or Tea 50p
 All Welcome !



PARISH CALENDAR

Regular Services

Tuesdays:	Holy Communion	10.00 am at Heversham
	Healing Prayer Ministry	10.35 am at Heversham
	Informal Prayer Gathering	1.00 pm at Milnthorpe
Saturdays:	Informal Prayer Gathering	7.45 am at Heversham

June

Tues 1st	Holy Communion	10.45 am at both Plumtree and Heversham House
Wed 2nd	Kent Estuary United Communion	7.30 pm at Heversham
Fri 4th	Holy Communion	11.00 am at Croftside

Sunday 6th - Trinity Sunday

	Holy Communion	8.00 am at Milnthorpe
	Family Service	9.30 am at Heversham
	Parish Communion	11.00 am at Milnthorpe
	Blessing of Marriage	3.30 pm at Heversham
	Sung Evensong	6.30 pm at Heversham
Mon 7th	WOW Meeting	7 for 7.30 pm See page 6
Tues 8th	Coffee Time @ The Old School	10.00—11.45 am

Sunday 13th - Trinity 1

	Holy Communion	8.00 am at Heversham
	Parish Communion	9.30 am at Heversham
	Parish Communion	11.00 am at Milnthorpe
	Praise and Worship	6.30 pm at Heversham

Sunday 20th - Trinity 2

	Holy Communion	8.00 am at Milnthorpe
	Family Communion	9.30 am at Heversham
	Family Service with Holy Baptism	11.00 am at Milnthorpe
Thurs 24th	Kendal Deanery Synod	7.30 pm at Kirkland Hall, Kendal

Sunday 27th - Trinity 3

	Holy Communion	8.00 am at Heversham
	Morning Prayer	9.00 am at Hincaster
	Parish Communion	9.30 am at Heversham
	Parish Communion	11.00 am at Milnthorpe
	United Service in Milnthorpe	6.30pm
	Methodist Church	
	celebrating the Centenary of their Church	
Mon 28th	Commissioning Service at St John's	7.30 pm at Levens
Tues 29th	Kent Estuary Parish Reps Meeting	7.30 pm at Arnside
Wed 30th	Milnthorpe PCC	7.30 pm

July

Sunday 4th - Trinity 4

Holy Communion	8.00 am at Milnthorpe
Family Service	9.30 am at Heversham
Parish Communion	11.00 am at Milnthorpe
Family Service	11.00 am at Levens
Sung Evensong	6.30 pm at Heversham
Levens Choir Concert	7.30 pm at Heversham

Mon 5th

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