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Thursby Parish Hall Lunch Club

Wednesday 28 February ~ 12:00 noon

Roast Chicken, Leek & Vegetable Puff Pastry Pie (GF & DF)

or Sausage, Red Pepper and Tomato Casserole (GF & DF)

Sweet choices: Chocolate & Salted Caramel Tart or

Red Berry Fruit Crumble & Custard (GF & DF)

Joanna on 07870 754339 to book choices no later than Sunday 25 February.
Everyone is very welcome, come along and enjoy homemade food & meet friends old & new.

VEGETARIAN OPTION AVAILABLE

**** Italian Dinner Night. 28 March Thursby Parish Hall. Menu and to Book on page 5 ****

Thursby Parish History Group

Wednesday 28 Feb 7:30pm

Thursby Parish Hall

Bellringing in Cumbria and Thursby

guest speaker Ron East

£3 per person * Everyone Most Welcome

" Phil Mac "
BAR RAFFLE
at THURSBY PARISH HALL
SATURDAY 3 FEBRUARY
DOORS OPEN 7:00PM
tickets: £7.50 adults, £4.00 U-16 prebooked
(at-the-door £8.50 & £5.00)
call 07532 780292 or 01228 710101 TO BOOK

Coffee Morning & Table Top Sale

SATURDAY 10 February 10:00 to 12 noon

THURSBY PARISH HALL

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Delicious homemade

Refreshments and raffle fundraising by

THURSBY SCHOOL PFA

LENT LUNCHESES at

St Andrew's * 12:00

21 February

6, 13, 20 March

£5 per person

Come along and enjoy a bowl of
homemade soup, roll, cheese and
biscuits, tea or coffee and a chat.

Drawing each week

Calendar of Up-Coming Events

DATES WITH (*) HAVE FURTHER DETAILS ELSEWHERE IN THIS 'THROSTLE'

- 3 February – **Phil Mac Music Night** 7:00pm Thursby Parish Hall
10 February - **Coffee Morning & Table Top Sale** 10:00am-12 noon Thursby Parish Hall (*)
12 February – **Thursby WI** 7:15pm Speaker William Little, Thursby Parish Hall (*)
20 February - **Thursby Parish Council** 7:30pm Thursby Parish Hall
21 February – **Lent Lunch** 12 Noon St. Andrew's Parish Church (*)
26 February – **Thursby Gardening Club** 7:30pm Speaker Sheila Ripper, Thursby Parish Hall (*)
28 February - **Thursby Parish Hall Lunch Club** 12:00 noon Thursby Parish Hall (*)
28 February – **Thursby History Project.** 'Church Bells in Cumbria and Thursby'. 7:30. Thursby Parish Hall (*)
24 February – **Throstle Copy Deadline** for MARCH 2024 issue (*)
6 March - **Lent Lunch** 12 Noon St. Andrew's Parish Church (*)
23 March – **Italian Dinner Night** 7:00-10:30pm Thursby Parish Hall (*)

REPORTS – PARISH ORGANISATIONS

NOTE FROM THROSTLE EDITOR: Summaries of parish council minutes are no longer allowed.

Space does not permit the inclusion of the full Parish Council Minutes for the Meeting on 19 December 2023. To view all Thursby Parish Council Minutes see Parish Notice Boards, 'Thursby Parish Council' on Facebook or contact the Clerk.

THURSBY PARISH COUNCIL - thursbypc.clerk@gmail.com

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE PARISH HALL ON TUESDAY 16 January 2024

Calling all Community Heroes: Thursby Parish Council needs you! Make a change – Become a Councillor To find out more contact thursbypc.clerk@gmail.com

Present: Councillors: Peter Hunter (Chair) (PH), Helen Barlow (HB) and Colin Edgar (CE).

Also Present: Parish Clerk/RFO, Janice Rae (JR).

Members of the Public: Two

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

699/01/2024 - Apologies for absence - An apology for absence was received from M. Johnson, Cumberland Councillor.

700/01/2024 - Declarations of interest - No declarations of interest were received.

701/01/2024 - Requests for dispensations - No requests were received for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.

702/01/2024 - Minutes of the previous meeting – 19 December 2023 - The minutes of the meeting held on 19 December 2023 were approved and the Chair was authorised to sign as a correct record.

ACTIONS from the previous meeting on 19 December 2023

MINUTE	ACTION
685/12/2023	Highways - Request for an additional grit bin at St Andrews View (JR) – Agenda Item 13 Roadwork signage MJ to raise with Highways – It was reported that some signs had been removed
688/12/2023	Dark web monitoring service to be cancelled (JR) – COMPLETED
689/12/2023	Tree Safety Survey - Lowther Forestry to be contacted to request a quotation for the work (JR) – Agenda Item 12
690/12/2023	Grounds Maintenance Agreement – Signed quotation acceptance and agreement to be forwarded to Tivoli for signature (JR) – COMPLETED – Agreement has been signed by both parties.
692/12/2023	Review of Assets to be undertaken (CE) – COMPLETED
693/12/2023	Review of Standing Orders – Updated Standing Orders to be published on website (JR) – COMPLETED

703/01/2024 - Clerk's report

Additional Grit Bin at St. Andrew's View – The Highways Network Manager at Cumberland Council had advised that to enable anything to be formally considered and actioned, the request for an additional grit bin should be logged on Cumberland Council's online highway portal.

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Bank End Sign – Since the last meeting the sign had been taken out, but the posts remain.

The draft Council Tax Base figure had been received from Cumberland Council.

CALC had circulated the training programme for January to July 2024

The notes from the Clerks Forum had been circulated.

An email received from an author of Cumbrian history books had been forwarded to the Thursby History Society.

D-Day 80 - 6th June 2024 – An email had been received encouraging Parish Councils to participate in the Commemoration of the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day landings which took place on 6th June 1944. CE advised that the Parish Hall will be holding an event on Sunday 2nd June, arrangements are still to be finalised.

704/01/2024 Chair's announcements – None

705/01/2024 - Public Participation

Two representatives from the Sports & Recreation Committee were in attendance to discuss the current security at the Jubilee Field. Members were advised that there are several CCTV cameras in place at the moment which the Sports & Recreation Committee feel is sufficient. However, the Committee may consider the installation of an additional camera. The contents of the Play Area Inspection report and the issues with dog fouling were also discussed. The representatives of the Sports and Recreation Committee left the meeting at 8.04 pm.

706/01/2024 - Cumberland Councillor's Report - Apologies had been received from M. Johnson.

707/01/2024 - Planning Matters

- (a) Applications for consultation received from the LPA (Cumberland Council)
HOU/2024/0006 – 1 The Park, Thursby, CA5 6PL - Small ground floor extension and first floor extension over garage to replace roof space bedroom with one at first floor level - No objections to the application. An observation was made that the application could result in overdevelopment of the property.
- (b) Decisions of the LPA (Cumberland Council) - None.

708/01/2024 - Reports for information reflecting the priorities of the Community-Led Plan

- Health and wellbeing
HB reported that cases of measles are increasing rapidly in some parts of the country.
HB also reported that free Covid 19 vaccinations are still available until 31 January to those that qualify and that the UK Health Security Agency had upgraded its Cold-Health Alert to Amber until Friday 19 January.
- Environment
HB reported that a cold weather alert had been issued and an amber alert is now in place until Friday 19 January.
PH reported that over the Christmas period he and a neighbouring property had experienced issues with the sewerage system. United Utilities had sent a team out to investigate and it transpired the main sewer had become blocked with stone, gravel and tarmac from the recent highway resurfacing works.
It was noted that the lay-by and the drainage issues at St Andrew's View are still outstanding.
- Housing - No matters to report
- Community amenities, travel and transport - No matters to report
- Communications - PH had met with ENW to discuss the cable that runs through the holly tree at the noticeboard area. ENW had agreed to remove the holly tree.

709/01/2024 - Sports & Recreation Field The discussion in the public participation part of the meeting regarding the CCTV cameras was noted. Regarding the Play Area inspection report, Mr. Eastwood advised Members that he would contact Playdale for advice on the finger trapping issue raised by the assessor in the inspection report. The Committee will also provide the Parish Council with a written response to the matters raised in the inspection report and will also consider additional signage specifically relating to dogs on leads.

710/01/2024 - Tree Maintenance on Parish Land Members discussed the quotation received from Lowther Forestry for the work recommended in their safety survey. A revised quotation had been requested from Lowther Forestry following confirmation that ENW will attend to the removal of the holly tree as their cables run through the tree. RESOLVED to instruct Lowther Forestry to carry out the work detailed in the revised quotation.

711/01/2024 - Request for additional grit bin – St Andrew’s View Members noted that the Highways Network Manager at Cumberland Council had advised that the request for an additional grit bin should be logged on Cumberland Council’s online highway portal. It was agreed that a request would be logged on the Highway system for the bin to be sited at the top of the footpath at Wampool Close.

712/01/2024 - Review of Policies - The following policies were reviewed:

Financial Regulations – No amendments necessary

Appraisal Policy – No amendments necessary

Asset Register – The Asset Register was considered. It was agreed that the register needs to be updated. It had been agreed at a previous meeting that the acreage of the parish land should be included on the register. It was resolved to request a quotation from a land agent to calculate the acreage of the parcels of land in the Parish.

Risk Register – It was agreed that a new action log should be created for 2024. An action to obtain an inspection report for the play area and to forward the report to the Sports and Recreation Committee would be added to the log.

713/01/2024 - Authorisation and Payment of accounts - The following accounts were authorised for payment under financial regulation 5 and paid under financial regulation 6.

Lowther Forestry	Tree Safety Inspection Report	£540.00
Community Heartbeat Trust	Emergency Phone Annual Rental 1.2.24 – 1.2.24	£ 62.40

Previously authorised accounts under Financial Regulation 5.6 – See supporting schedule.

J. Rae	Clerk’s salary January 2024	£486.09
HMRC	PAYE January	£ 99.00

Previous authorised payment was noted (authorisation Financial Regulation 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 8.8)

14/12/2023 Public Works Loan Board £1,561.41.

714/01/2024 - Accounts and Financial Matters - The financial statement to 31st December, 2023 was noted and agreed. Balance CBS Current Account £9,791.04

715/01/2024 - Vacancies/Co-option of new Councillors - It was noted that no expressions of interest had been received.

Ideas on how to advertise the vacancies were discussed. A suggestion was put forward that Members attend a community event such as the coffee mornings to try and encourage residents to put themselves forward and become a parish councillor.

716/01/2024 - Councillors’ reports and items for future agenda

Item for the next agenda – Removal of signage for the Methodist Church.

Any further items to be with the Clerk by 10 February 2024.

717/01/2024 - Date of next Council meeting – Tuesday 20 February 2024

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.32pm

THURSBY PARISH HALL www.thursbyparishhall.weebly.com

Facebook: Thursby Parish Hall

email: atphmc@gmail.com

Booking secretary: Andrea Edwards (07594 816445), or email: bookingthursbyparishhall@outlook.com

*** Hire Charges (per hour) as of 1st January 2024:**

Main Hall: Non-Business Rate (NBR) £12; Small Business Rate (SBR) £15; Business Rate (BR) £23

Meeting Room: NBR £8; SBR £15; BR £23 IT Room: NBR £5; BR £10 **Entire Building:** NBR £20; SBR £30; BR £45

Kitchen (in addition to hourly rate) - When food is provided or prepared £20; Tea & coffee making facilities. £5 **Funeral Teas** (In addition to the per hour charge): Main Hall. £60; Meeting Room. £40 There may be extra charges for certain events or services. Please contact the Booking Secretary for more information and to book.

*** Hall planned events for 2024** - Please pop these dates on your calendar and watch this space, leaflets, posters and Facebook for more information.

March 23 *Italian Dinner Night* - May 18 *Grand Quiz* - June 2 *D Day 80th Anniversary Afternoon Tea*
July 6 *Open Mic and Summer Event* - September 21 *Curry Dinner Night* - November 2 *Music Night*
4 - December 14 *Christmas Themed Beetle Drive*

* **Clothing Recycling Collection Point:** We now have a clothes recycling unit in the Hall car park. Please bring along those unwanted garments!

* **February Table Top & Coffee Morning:** Saturday 10 February, from 10:00 to 12 noon. Thursby School PFA will be providing the delicious home baked refreshments, as well as the raffle. Stalls which have booked so far include jewellery, handmade cards, a selection of jams and chutneys, Handmade knitted items (e.g. toys and children's cardigans, Handmade cushion covers, make up bags and wash bags, Penny Jones Animal Hospice, woodcraft items and second-hand books.

If you would like to book a table (£5 for one, £8.50 for two) for the Coffee Morning, please call Nicky (07527 882932) by lunchtime Friday 1 December. Everyone is very welcome to come along on the day, browse the stalls, enjoy delicious baking and have a good chat. There is very easy disabled access.

* **Lunch Club - Thursby Parish Hall** Wednesday 28 February 2024 at 12 noon. The Main choice is Roast Chicken, Leek & Vegetable Puff Pastry Pie (GF & DF) or Sausage, Red Pepper and Tomato Casserole (GF & DF) - Vegetarian option always available so please ask. Sweet choices are Chocolate & Salted Caramel Tart, or Red Berry Fruit Crumble & Custard (GF & DF) £12 per person. Everyone is very welcome, come along and enjoy homemade food & meet friends old & new. Please contact Joanna on 07870 754339 to book with your choices no later than Sunday 25 February. Alternative dietary options can be catered for but must be booked in advance.

* **Thursby Parish Hall "Notto Italiano - Italian Dinner Night" Saturday 23 March 2024 7:00pm**
Come and join us for a 3 course sit down Italian dinner night with authentic homemade cuisine, bar, Italian quiz & raffle on. Tickets £22.00 per adult - £7.50 per child (12 & under)

Menu

Primi (first dish): Homemade fresh Sicilian bread with your first course choice of

Caprese Salad (V) (GF) - Fresh mozzarella, ripe tomatoes, fresh basil & green pesto with a balsamic & olive oil glaze.

Pasta Fagioli zuppa (DF). A classic Italian pasta & bean soup with pancetta & vegetables in a tomato broth.

Secondo (second dish)

Southern Italian mini meatball layered pasta - Mini meatballs, salami, sliced egg, mozzarella, parmesan and a tomato sauce layered with pasta.

Melanzane parmigiana (V) (GF option) - Grilled aubergine layered with Italian cheese baked in a rich tomato sauce, topped with parmesan & breadcrumbs.

Tuscan chicken (GF) (DF option) - Chicken in a creamy sauce with sundried tomatoes, garlic, white wine, smoked paprika and spinach.

Meatballs & pasta available also as a children's choice

Dolce (desserts): Choice of *Piatto di dolce* - panacotta, tiramisu & a sweet Italian pastry; *Gelato* - chocolate & hazelnut (GF); *Tiramisu*; *Lemon & ricotta tart* (DF alternative); or *Chocolate orange mousse* (GF)

To book your place and order please contact Joanna with your choices by phone, text or email by Saturday 9 March. Limited spaces available. Full table service, payment to be made in advance. 07870 754 339 sandrojoannamorganella@gmail.com

* **Ongoing Fund Raising for Thursby Parish Hall: 'easyfundraising':** Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use **easyfundraising** to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! All you need to do is sign up and remember to use **easyfundraising** whenever you shop online. It's easy and completely FREE! These donations really mount up, so please sign up to support us at

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/thursby-parish-hall/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_medium=email&utm_content=rm-en-n1

Thursby Gardening Club: Sadly our January talk, on 'Snowdrops', with Pat Murphy (from the Lakeland Horticultural Society at Holehird, Windermere) had to be cancelled because of the blackout caused by Storm Isha. Holehird has just been voted RHS Partner of the Year Regional Winner 2023 for the North of England and Northern Ireland, and hosts 6 collections of plants with links to the RHS, including Astilbe, Meconopsis and Hosta. Our February Meeting is on Monday 26 February in Thursby Parish Hall at 7.30pm, and Sheila Ripper will give a talk 'Along the Silk Road'

Please Note: If you are not a member, but are interested in a topic, or would like to join us, just pop along to a meeting. Contact: Secretary, Anna Swindells Mob: 07525633940; Home: 01228 710944 - Anne Mawdsley: Chair, Home No: 01228 711651

Badminton Club: An excellent Christmas meal at the Royal Oak before Christmas, good food and good company. We began the Spring season on 3 January. A good turnout and we hope the coming season will be well supported. Chris.

Thursby Sports and Recreation Committee: Phil Mac ~ Solo Live Music Night

Our next fund-raising event will be a musical evening at Thursby Parish Hall, on Saturday 3 February 2024 (doors open 7:00pm), when local music legend "Phil Mac" (Phil McMurdo) will give a solo concert. There will be a cash bar and a Raffle. All the ticket money and proceeds from the evening will go towards the maintenance of the Jubilee Playing Field and its facilities.

There has been a great demand for tickets and the event is now basically sold out. In case there may be an odd one or two available (£7.50 for Adults and £4 for U-16), contact Richard on 07532 780292, or Stuart on 01228 710101.

Thursby WI: Our next meeting is on Monday 12 February, in Thursby Parish Hall at 7.15pm when William Little will be talking about 'Watchtree'. Our December meeting was a convivial and delicious buffet supper at Strawberry Cottage, with members and guests, followed by a topical quiz. In January members who wished went to the cinema to see 'One Life' with Anthony Hopkins.

We welcome guests if you want to have a taste of WI, or if the topic of the month interests you. Contacts: Secretary, Anna Swindells Mob: 07525633940 Home: 01228 710944 - Anne Mawdsley: President, Home No: 01228 711651

Thursby Parish History Project: Our next talk will be at Thursby Parish Hall on Wednesday 28 February at 7:30. An illustrated talk with Ron East 'Bell Ringing in Cumbria and Thursby'. £3 per person and everyone is most welcome. Tea & biscuits and time to chat after the talk.

NOTICES

Burns Night 2024: What a splendid evening on Saturday. Thank you all, friends, family and wonderful people of Thursby for all your help, support and generosity. After a quick estimated calculation, you have all helped raise over £2300 and with gift aid that will be even more. Thank you all and see you again soon. Karen and family. All funds raised will be going to Macmillan Cancer Support and St John's Ambulance.

Yoga with Fran: Come and join me for regular yoga sessions in Thursby Parish Hall on Thursday mornings from 9:30-10:45am. My style is traditional Hatha yoga with elements of Vinyasa flow. Yoga is a holistic practice with many benefits and, together with the practice of the physical poses, my classes will include opportunities for breath practices, meditation and relaxation. You would be very welcome to come along so get in touch if it sounds like it might be for you. For more info contact Fran at fcsyog@gmail.com or text/phone 07342 342326. Bring your own mat.

Thursby Wanderers: - 8 February, Thursby Wanderers walk to Crofton for coffee. You are invited to join Annette and Karen for a wander along the bridle path to Crofton Coffee Shop on Thursday 8 February. Meet St Andrew's Church, Church Lane at 9.30am. Might be boggy on the bridle path so wear appropriate footwear; around 3 miles round trip. Contact Karen on 07484 877682 for more details. Hope to see you then.

Hospice at Home (Carlisle and North Lakeland): *Volunteers wanted* - Would you like to join a small friendly group of volunteers in Dalston to help at Fundraising Events for Hospice at Home? We hold a few informal meetings throughout the year and carry out 2 or 3 functions annually, such as a local Coffee Mornings, Quiz Nights, Flower Demonstrations, Craft Days; anything in fact that will raise funds for this important and vital Charity. If you feel you could offer a helping hand and be part of our group, please phone 07788 656292.

Weekly Thursby Post Office Outreach hours: Tuesdays 9:00-11:00am and Fridays 12:30-2:30pm. A wide range of the regular post office services are available right on your door step. Further information please call Scotby Post Office: 01228 513327. DEPOSIT CHEQUES – POST PACKAGES AND LETTERS – PURCHASE STAMPS – WITHDRAW CASH – COLLECT PENSION AND MANY OTHER SERVICES.

Meals on Wheels Cumbria – Volunteers Wanted: Volunteer drivers and car owners are wanted for deliveries; mileage expenses paid. For more details, please call 01228 267167.

Community Driving Scheme: NOTE - At the moment there is no Co-ordinator locally for the Scheme.

Household Waste Recycling Centre, Syke Road, Wigton (016973 45617). Opening hours - Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday 8:00am to 6:00pm.

Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) Bousteads Grassing, Rome Street, Carlisle (01228 531454) – Opening Hours - 8:00am to 6:00pm, seven days a week, so there are plenty of times and days available to choose from.

THREE DEFIBRILLATORS in THURSBY VILLAGE: Located in the telephone box near The Ship Inn, on the front of the Pavilion at the Jubilee Playing Field and the at Thursby Parish Hall on the wall facing the car park.

Waste Collection Calendar 2023/24: If you want to check the present month, or annual collection dates for your postcode, follow the easy link for bin collection information from Allerdale Borough Council's home page www.allerdale.gov.uk/en/bincollections/. Missed bin collections can be reported at www.allerdale.gov.uk/en/report/report-missed-bin/.

The scheduled normal collection dates for February 2024 are as follows:

Domestic waste: February 6, 13, 20 & 27 **GARDEN WASTE:** No Collections UNTIL MARCH 12 2024) **Glass, Cans & Plastic:** February 6 & 20 **Paper & Card:** February 20

Who do you call in an emergency? 999 - If you witness a medical emergency in the UK, you should call 999 immediately from any phone to speak to the national emergency response service. Upon connecting, the call handler will ask you a series of questions. If the emergency is considered life-threatening, they will arrange to send an ambulance. 111 - non-emergency medical number. 101 – NON-EMERGENCY police number 112 – EMERGENCY number will work on any mobile phone worldwide

Member of Parliament - Mark Jenkinson MP - Address: House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA and 104 Senhouse Street, Maryport, Cumbria CA15 6BS Phone: [0207 219 3000](tel:02072193000) Email: mark.jenkinson.mp@parliament.uk

Cumberland Council. Councillor for Thursby Ward - Councillor Mike Johnson - Home address: Ironmonger House, New Street, Bolton Low Houses, Wigton, Cumbria CA7 8PB. Phone: 07557 005573 Email: mike.johnson@cumbria.gov.uk

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Parish Groups and Organisations: Information and contact details for a variety of groups which meet regularly in Thursby may be found on the last page of the yellow Advertising Sheet this month. Keep this handy for future reference!

Parish information - Contact the Throstle Editor if you would like your group included here each month or if any of this contact information is out of date.

Badminton Club: Chris - 01228 712979

Yoga: Anna 07884406858

Thursby Parish History Group. Stuart 01228 710101

Thursby Parish Hall booking: Andrea 07594 816445 or email: bookingthursbyparishhall@outlook.com

Thursby Rainbows and Brownies:

1stthursbybrownies@gmail.com

Thursby Baby & Toddler Group: Thursby Baby and Toddler Group Facebook page

Meals on Wheels Cumbria Ltd: Tel: 01228 267167. Website:

<https://www.mealsonwheelscumbria.org>

Email: admin@mealsonwheelscarlisle.org

Home Group: 0345 141 4663 and the email address ContactUs@homegroup.org.uk.

Thursby Pickleball: karen.eaglesfield@btinternet.com

Report any highway problems

01228 606060 or www.cumbria.gov.uk

<https://cumbria.gov.uk/roads-transport/highways-pavements/highways/highwaymaintenance.asp>

Allerdale Borough Council. New tel number. 0303 123 1702

Wigton Baths. Info 016973 42412

Timetable on Facebook or www.wigtonbaths.org.uk

Community Policing. non-emergency 101 Emergency 999

Crimestoppers (anonymous): 0800 555 111

Allerdale Street Scene Officer. Allerdale Borough Council 0303 123 1702

Environment Agency: 0800 807060

Age UK Advice - 0800 169 6565

Report full street bins. 01900 702702

Thursby Parish Council: thursbypc.clerk@gmail.com

Crofton Social Centre (to hire): C Donaldson 016973 44594

Solway Red Squirrel Group: M Grave 01228 711520

St Andrew's Church

Sunday School know as 'The Rocks' will start at the Family Service on Sunday 25 February service at 11.00am. All welcome to meet Mandy and see what is planned.

Confirmation Classes: these will start on Wednesday 21 February at 4 The Paddocks at 4.00 - 5.00. Details are available for Rev'd John Hine on 01228 712704.

Lent Lunches at St. Andrew's Church, Thursby: The Lent Lunches will be held in the Church at 12 Noon on Wednesday 21 February, 6, 13 & 20 March 2024 – cost £5 per person. Come along and enjoy a bowl of homemade soup, roll, cheese and biscuits, tea or coffee and a chat. Drawing each week.

Curate in Charge Writes....

This year St Valentine's Day falls on the same day as Ash Wednesday. The day when we think about all things love will be the same day that we start Lent.

I find it really interesting that on a day when most of the world is thinking about chocolates and flowers and cards full of question marks rather than names, the church begins it's time of thinking about the journey made by Jesus towards the cross, his death and resurrection at Easter, a journey made with more love than you and I can imagine.

It's a reality that all the possessions we have right now, our cars, our homes, or money, will one day belong to someone else, as we brought nothing into this world and we can take nothing out, but the one thing that is always there with us from birth to death and all the way through our lives is love, the love people have for us, and the love we have for other people.

So rather than giving up chocolate or coffee this Lent (like many people do) why not try and show a bit more of the love you have for others and the world. Whatever you decide to do though, remember the love that Jesus has for each one of us, a love so deep that he even gave his life on a cross to save us and give us the promise of eternal life.

You may not have a Valentine to send a card or chocolates to this year, but you can still do something in the name of love in 2024. We all can!

God Bless

Reverend Richard

From the Registers
19 January - Funeral – David Gibson

Contact Details:
Revd Richard Corrie: 01228 934994
email: reverendrichardcorrie@outlook.com

Service Details

February: Sunday 4, 11 & 18 11:00am Holy Communion

Sunday 25 February 11:00am Family Service

Wednesday 14 February 6:00pm - Holy Communion for Ash Wednesday