

A map of the North East of England showing the locations of 15 churches. The map includes labels for various towns and villages, with church images placed at their respective locations. The churches are: Skinburness, Sillioth, Causewayhead, Blitterlees, Wolsty, Beckfoot, Pelutho, Aldoth, Holme St Cuthbert, Mawbray, Edderside, Westnewton, Cardurnock, Anthon, Newton Arlosh, Kirkbride, Abbetown, Dundraw, Wheyrigg, Blencogo, Waverton, Bromfield, Langrigg, High Scales, Crookdake, Watch Hill, Fletcherstown, and Bolton Lo Houses.

June 25

CHURCHES - INFORMATION

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Silloth **Thursday** 10am Said Communion.

Roman Catholic Services:

Saturday; Silloth:6pm

Sunday; Wigton: 9.00am

Maryport: 11am

Enquiries: Maryport: 01900 812157

Cornerstone Methodist Church

Meets in homes on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 7.00pm Contact Phil Jackson 07949 881698

Pentecostal Church

Greenrow, Silloth 10.45am & 6pm

Enquiries 016973 32248

Evangelical Free Church

Silloth **Thursday** 7.30pm

Sunday 10.45am & 6.30pm

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LETTER FROM THE MINISTRY TEAM

As I approach retirement, I would like to thank everyone for their friendship over the past fourteen years. I have been blessed with colleagues who have been wonderfully supportive and bringing their unique gifts and insights into the ministry of the church in the Solway Plain Parish.

Alongside we have had faithful churchwardens, PCC members and local congregations who have given their time and energy to enable our churches to be focal points for worship and mission in their local communities. Each of our churches are different and bring a variety of styles and approaches across the Solway Plain. But we are united in our faith, and our desire to see our churches flourishing.

The world has changed and moved in different directions. The church no longer has a central part in many people's lives yet is still important in the significant times of life, through our ministry of baptism, weddings and funerals. We come alongside people in times of joy and sadness. We minister to people in sickness, grief and loneliness. We offer a message of God's love for all as we work alongside young people in schools and in youth activities.

My journey to ordained ministry began whilst still a student at university. On 30th June 1985 I was young, inexperienced and nervous when standing before the bishop in Carlisle Cathedral before starting as a curate in Carlisle. Since then, and after working in Ulverston, Preston and Threlkeld & St John's in the Vale and here in the Solway Plain, I may have gained a lot of experience, but I am constantly aware of what more there is to do, to learn and to achieve. There have been some painful and difficult times. We will not forget the effects of Foot & Mouth on our communities, the effects of fire & floods, and Covid. But we come through these things because we work together, because we support each other, because we share the same faith and hope in God. There have also been some wonderful achievements, through commitment and support to enable things to change and to grow.

Having recently celebrated Easter, we have recalled that at the heart of the gospel, out of death comes life, resurrection life, life in all its fullness.

Change can often be worrying, and we can't always know what lies ahead, but I pray that our churches are in a good position to look forward with confidence to the Lord who continues to guide and bless us in the coming months and years.

On behalf of AnneLouise and myself, we pray that in the course of the coming interregnum, you will be blessed in your working together, and as a new Rector is sought for the Solway Plain Parish, you will be committed to prayer for all who will be involved in the appointment process.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." *Jeremiah 29:11*

We express our grateful thanks for your friendship, support and encouragement and your partnership in the Gospel.

Bryan & Annelouise

We will be moving to Thursby in July. Our new address will be

16 Westhaven
Thursby
Carlisle
CA5 6PH

SOLWAY PLAIN PARISH SERVICES

Date	Time	Service	Church	Leader	Readings
1 st June	8.00am	HC	Silloth	BR	Acts 16:
Easter 7	9.00am	FS	Westnewton	CY	16-34
	9.30am	HC	Holme St Cuthbert	BR	John 17.
	9.30am	FS	Bromfield	TB	20-26
	9.30am	HC	Kirkbride	GR	
	10.30am	FS	Holme Cultram	FMcl	
	10.45am	HC	Newton Arlosh	GR	
	11.00am	FS	Silloth	TB	
	4.00pm	Evensong	Silloth	TB	White
8 th June	9.00am	HC	Westnewton	GR	Acts 2.
Pentecost	9.30am	FS	Holme St Cuthbert	TB	1-21
	9.30am	HC	Bromfield	MS	John 14.
	9.30am	FS	Kirkbride	BR	8-17 & 25-27
	10.30am	HC	Holme Cultram	GR	
	10.45am	FS	Newton Arlosh	BR	
	11.00am	HC	Silloth	MS	Red
15 th June	9.00am	MP	Westnewton	CY	Romans 5.
Trinity Sunday	9.30am	HC	Holme St Cuthbert	BR	1-5
	9.30am	MP	Bromfield	TB	John 16.
	9.30am	HC	Kirkbride	MS	12-15
	10.30am	MP	Holme Cultram	TB	
	10.45am	HC	Newton Arlosh	MS	
	11.00am	MP	Silloth	BR	
	4.00pm	Healing	Westnewton	JJ	White
22 nd June	9.00am	HC	Westnewton	MS	Galatians 3.
Trinity 1	9.30am	MP	Holme St Cuthbert	CN	23-29
	9.30am	HC	Bromfield	BR	Luke 8.
	9.30am	MP	Kirkbride	JJ	26-39
	10.30am	HC	Holme Cultram	MS	
	11.00am	HC	Silloth	BR	Green
29 th June	10.00am	United Service	Holme Cultram	BR	Acts 12:
St Peter					1-11
					Matthew 16:
					13-19
					Red

For Clergy names see Churches information at front of magazine

CHURCH ROTAS

Bromfield

Date	Sidesperson	Flowers	Church Cleaning
01	Miss Wilson		PCC TEAM
08			
15			
22			

Holme Cultram Abbey

Date	Reader	Sidesperson
01	Jenson	Margaret
08	Anita	Elaine
15	Jenson	Margaret
22	Norman	Elaine

Holme St Cuthbert

Date	Reader
01	Helen
08	Lynda
15	Rosie
22	Brian

Kirkbride

Date	Sidesperson	Flowers	Church Cleaning
01	S Sowerby	Mrs r Stamper	Mrs J Sowerby
08	L Beattie		
15	United	Mrs D Hodgson	Mrs D Hodgson
22	J Jefferson		

Newton Arlosh

Date	Sidesperson	Flowers	Church Cleaning
01	R Pinguey	Ruth Foster	Ruth
08	R Pinguey		Foster
15	R Pinguey		

CHURCH ROTAS

Silloth

Date	Sidesperson	Reader	Flowers
01	J Oliver	J Oliver	
08	F Jackson	A Rothwell & M Kent	
15	M Graham	M Harrison & M Graham	
22	J Oliver	A Rothwell & M Kent	

Westnewton

Date	Warden	Sidesperson	Flowers	Church Cleaning
01	Mrs Young	Mrs Launchbury	Mrs I	Church Committee Members
08	Mrs Hodgson	Mrs Szandurski	Ayres	
15	Mrs Young	Mrs Walker	Mrs D	
22	Mrs Hodgson	Mr Wardle	Eve	

PARISH REGISTER

Baptism



Holme St Cuthbert

Reginald Alan Watson Birkett

13/04/25

Canon B Rothwell

Kirkbride

Esmée Kate Graham

13/04/25

Canon B Rothwell

Silloth

Billie-Jo Baxter

16/03/25

Canon B Rothwell

Penny Robyn J Nichol

19/04/25

Canon B Rothwell

Arlo Boden Hughes Whitfield

04/05/25

Canon B Rothwell

Noah Morris

11/05/25

Canon B Rothwell

Marriage

Abbeytown

Scott Garrett & Quin Inglis

04/05/25

Revd C Noghiu

Funeral

Holme St Cuthbert

Joseph Armstrong

29/04/25

Canon B Rothwell

Thanksgiving Service

Silloth

Branda Blake

30/04/25

Mrs M Gate

SOLWAY PLAIN NEWS

Retirement

Bryan Rothwell will be celebrating the 40th Anniversary of his Ordination on Sunday 29th June at a service which will take place in Holme Cultram Abbey at 10am followed by lunch in the Abbey. This will mark the end of almost 14 years of Ministry in the Solway Plain.

Please join us for as we mark these two significant events.

Bryan & AnneLouise will be retiring to Thursby in July.

This will be a United Service, and we will be joined by members from the Solway Mission Community.

United Service

Sunday 29th June at 10.00am in Holme Cultram Abbey

Our parish Singing Group are getting together to mark the occasion of Bryan's retirement and as we say farewell to Bryan & Annelouise in fitting style with lots of wonderful music,

The singers will be rehearsing on Wednesdays 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th June at Silloth Vicarage. There will be a final rehearsal on Saturday 28th June in the Abbey, time tbc.

As ever, you don't have to be able to make all of the rehearsals to be in the choir, although it would be ideal if you can make most of them, and in particular the final one on the Saturday

Please do pass this on to any singers who would like to join us. The more the merrier! More information from Carolyn Fyfe.

MISSION COMMUNITY PRAYER

Members of all churches in the Wigton, Silloth, Aspatria area are invited to share in times of united prayer - for the world, for our neighbours, for anything God has laid on our hearts.

We aim to meet about once a month visiting a different church of the Mission Community each time. Dates and venue are flexible so please look out for details or call Alan Fearon 016973 42454 or Tim Barker 07825 954611

SOULWAY - THE GATHERING

in Aspatria Rugby Club

Fourth Sunday of each month at 4pm

informal worship time with contemporary music,

For the next few months we will be looking at different approaches to PRAYER.

For more information contact Rev Matt Richards 07937041517.

Healing service

Our next healing services will be on Sunday 15th June in St Matthew's Westnewton starting at 4.00pm.

Please join us for a service of quiet prayer and reflection where we seek God's healing and wholeness. Prayer requests can be sent to Francess McIntyre 07967376356 or email prayer@solwayplainchurches.org.uk

SOLWAY PLAIN NEWS

Men's Breakfast

First Saturday of every month

9.00 - 10.15

Christ Church Silloth

Cooked breakfast

and speaker

suggested donation £5

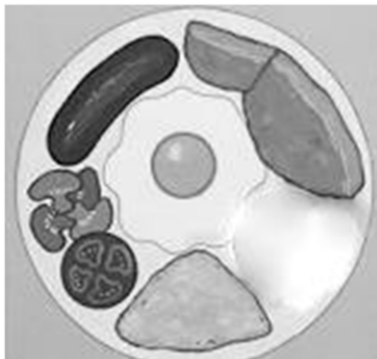
(no obligation)

For booking;

message Franness on

07967376356

or frannymac55@gmail.com



ABBEYTOWN NEWS

Cash Prize Draw

January

1st £30 M Gibson 93

2nd £20 J Smith 12

3rd £10 Jerry 1

February

1st £30 A Harrison 142

2nd £20 P Wise 244

3rd £10 M Skevington 190

March

1st £30 M Hurst 5

2nd £20 K Armstrong 241

3rd £10 C McDonagh 26

April

1st £30 R Robertson 7

2nd £20 M Williamson 196

3rd £10 D Williamson 197

Holme Cultram Abbey Monthly Munch

Thursday 5th June 2025 at Holme Cultram Abbey.

This month we will be having:- Sausage Pie and Salad with Profiteroles
for Pudding (Alternatives available please enquire)

Eat in: £8.00 (includes tea/coffee) between 12pm - 1pm

Takeaway: £7.00 with collection from 11.30am

(local delivery available please let us know when ordering)

To book/order please contact Brenda - 016973 61224 or Anita - 016973
61113.

There will be a raffle too!

Please support us if you can.

Holme Cultram Abbey Events in 2025

Strawberry Teas – Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th July 2025

Brampton Chamber Choir – Sunday 20th July at 7.30pm 2025

Christmas Fayre – 15th & 16th November 2025

Christmas Dinner – Takeaway's Wednesday 3rd December and Eat in
Thursday 4th December 2025

ABBEYTOWN NEWS

Strawberry Teas

at Holme Cultram Abbey

Saturday 12th July
&
Sunday 13th July

12.00pm - 4.00pm

Eat in and takeaway options available
Raffle and various stalls

All welcome



Abbey Tots

Tuesdays
(term time only)

10.00am - 11.30am

at Holme Cultram Abbey

a great place for adults to meet and chat over a
cuppa while their babies/toddlers play.

Donations towards refreshments
each session would be greatly appreciated

All welcome

(this includes mams, dads, grandparents, aunties,
uncles and friends etc)



ABBEYTOWN NEWS

Abbeytown Community

ECO CHURCH

We've been busy in the past few months! In March, we had an uplifting Mothering Sunday service, complete with home-made posies for all the congregation. In April, we ran an Easter Egg hunt in the Abbey along with the parish council, which saw around 80 people of all ages, from babies to grandmas, joining in with the Easter fun and crafts, as well as eating large quantities of delicious cakes! In May, we went on a litter-pick, with pizzas (and dog-treats!) for the participants.

In June, we will be holding a special church service on the first Sunday of the month, at 10.30am, with coffee and cake, quizzes and children's activities, prayers, readings, and songs. Please do join us with all your family for this more relaxed way of doing church.

In July, look out for us at the Strawberry Teas weekend of 12th and 13th of July, where we will be providing free butterfly-themed arts and crafts activities for all children. See you then!

BROMFIELD NEWS

Bonus Ball Winners April

DATE	NUMBER	WINNER	AMOUNT
5	18	P. Sewell	£30
12	31	L. Wood	£30
19	33	A. Brough	£30
26	21	M. Jackson	£30

St. Mungo's Church Easter Quiz

We sold 84 quiz sheets and had three winning entries. Tim Barker selected the winner who was Dennis Hind from Wigton. Well done Dennis, you have won £25! We raised a total of £168 from entries. Thank you to all who purchased the quiz and better luck next time.

Blencogo Village Hall Save the Dates

21st June Strawberry Teas.
19th July Silent Disco
6th September Annual Produce Show.
TBC Bingo!
October tbc Curry Night.
25th-31 October Blen Scare-crow trail.
29th November Christmas Market.



BROMFIELD NEWS

Blencogo Village Hall

STRAWBERRY TEA

Join us to celebrate the Kings birthday.
Unwind and relax with our beautifully
crafted Afternoon Tea in the charming
surroundings of our Village Hall

Saturday 21st June 2025
12 noon to 6pm
Blencogo Village Hall

FAMILY Silent Disco

Blencogo Village Hall

19th JULY 3-5PM

Child £8
Adult £10



**SILENT
DISCO4U**

Battle Of The Decades
Contact April 07917676607

HOLME ST CUTHBERT NEWS

MAWBRAV VILLAGE HALL



Thursday 26th June at 7.30pm

Entrance £2 per person

Prize for the winning team

Bring your own refreshments and glasses

Contact Lynda: 01900 881737

Club Dates

Pool
10th & 24th June
7pm—9pm



Craft & Chat
4th & 18th June
2pm—4 pm



Book & Jigsaw Exchange
5th & 19th June
3.30 pm —4.30 pm



KIRKBRIDE NEWS

Kirkbride village/church hall CRAFT CLUB

Every Wednesday 1.30-3.30.

If you don't feel like crafting then come for a cup of tea/coffee and a chat. A chance to meet new friends and share craft ideas, we'd love to see you. For more information please ring Christine Smithson 016973 51686 or Josephine Jefferson 016973 51843

COFFEE MORNING

Every Friday 10.30-12.00

Come along for a chat and catch up with what's on across the Solway Plain. A small friendly group are ready to make you welcome—just come along. For more information please ring Christine Smithson 016973 51686 or Josephine Jefferson 016973 51843

KIRKBRIDE NEWS

Monthly Draw

£20 No:152 Clare Kyrke
£10 No: 215 Logan Little
£5 No: 17 Sarah Irving (Jnr)

Hot Cross Bun Coffee Morning

Thank you to all who supported our coffee morning, and for donations, from those who were unable to attend, with the raffle, bring & buy stall, and guess the number of easter eggs in the jar we made £299.20, which was eggscellent!

All proceeds to St Brides Church

The Croft Surgery, Kirkbride

Updates from the practice

If you have not already seen it, we updated our website a few months ago – it has lots of information about our services and includes links to forms and useful health information.

Find us at www.kirkbridesurgery.nhs.uk . The home page also has a quick link to our Facebook page.

Ordering medication

Online prescription ordering is preferred; we recommend using the NHS app from a smartphone. This is a safe and secure way of ordering and you can use it 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Please allow at least three working days for us to process your order and at least a week if using our free delivery service.

Vaccines

COVID - eligible patients should contact a pharmacy, book online or use NHS119 to organise a Spring COVID vaccination; we are not doing these at the surgery.

RSV vaccines, Pneumonia Vaccines, Shingles vaccines - please check eligibility with our receptionist and then book an appointment with Jen.

Our gentle reminder - Please be kind

Please be kind to our staff - we come to work to help our patients and we do understand that they may be feeling unwell and frustrated when they contact us.

However, we value all our colleagues and so we do not tolerate discrimination, abuse, aggressive behaviour or intimidation. We will respond formally to any incidents of this kind, including racist remarks and derogatory comments. Thank you

NEWTON ARLOSH NEWS

St John's Church Draw

£20	No146	Olive Reed
£10	No181	Erin Church View
£5	No 101	Willie Bell

St John's Church Newton Arlosh

We will be coming to sell our monthly Drawing Tickets at £5 per ticket to be drawn every month. Prizes 1st £20 2nd £10 3rd £5
We would like everyone to support us as this is one of our main fund raising events for running cost for our lovely church
So Please support us. Thank You St John's Church PCC.

NEWTON ARLOSH PARISH HALL COFFEE MORNING

Monday 30th June 2025 10.30am till noon
Please come along and meet new friends
Tea Coffee Scones and Cakes will be served.
We do ask for a donation to help with our cost
We also have lots more books and Magazines
to swap you bring one and you can take one to read
EVERYONE WELCOME

Solway Gardening Society

Our next indoor monthly meeting is 19th September
19:30 at Port Carlisle Bowling Club.

A reminder for members about Summer Events we have planned.

Sat June 21st Alnwick Garden, bus trip; speak to Doreen North if you would like a last-minute place or have change of plans.

Thursday July 17th Lingholm Garden, own transport; meet at 2pm for refreshments, it is free entry so arrive when it suits you best.

Thursday August 21st our Summer Social event @ The Craggs, own transport; meet at 3pm, please contact Gwen Lattimer to let her know if you are coming before 14th August.

Enjoy your gardens this summer and we look forward to seeing members on our garden visits.

More information from our Secretary Fiona Watson;
solwaygardeningociety@gmail.com or fiona-19@hotmail.co.uk or
07896018568



Port Carlisle Bowling Club

Open again for outdoor bowling .

Welcome to new and old members or just come and try.

Saturday afternoons and Wednesday mornings

Find us on Facebook

www.portcarlislebowlingclub.co.uk

Telephone 01228 576398

SILLOTH NEWS

EVENSONG IN CHRIST CHURCH

Traditional Book of Common Prayer Evensong
will be celebrated at Christ Church on Sunday June 1st at 4 pm.
Sung responses, psalms and canticles.
All are welcome

EASTER SERVICES

Good Friday began with a united service in Greenrow Pentecostal church followed by a walk of witness to plant a cross on the hill behind the Green. The morning ended with observation of The Stations of the Cross in the Roman Catholic Church.

On Easter Day members met at 5.45AM by the Bee Garden for a short service to greet the sunrise, then share breakfast butties and hot cross buns in Christ Church.

WAVERTON NEWS

Dundraw W.I

Prior to welcoming our guests, and in the absence of the president, Helen Daly, vice president, chaired the meeting. Apologies were received from Lesley, Margaret Miller, Rosemary, and Gill. Items of interest from the County News were read out. The book club will take place on 21st May. Instead of the usual lunch club a May celebration lunch will be held at the Golf Club, Silloth on Wednesday 14th May. Those attending were asked to make menu choice. Our June meeting will be a crafting session.

Glynis asked members to bring along scissors suitable for cutting paper. Helen, who will be our voting delegate at the AGM, outlined the topics to be discussed. It was agreed by a show of hands to accept the proposal.

The darling buds of May bloomed for the ladies of Dundraw WI as they welcomed florist Margaret Abbott as their guest speaker. For this rather special meeting Dundraw WI also welcomed ladies from Embleton, Burgh by Sands, Uldale and Ireby and Bothel and Kirkland WI's. Margaret gave a most impressive demonstration of her flower arranging expertise whilst answering audience questions and telling humorous anecdotes.

Margaret was thanked by Janet Stukins and her brilliant creations were then raffled off and won by some very lucky WI members:

Margaret Thompson, Robin Pearson, Jean Graham, Jane Launchbury, Glynis Aspin, Dawn Ayres, Mary Ritson, Margaret Hodgson, Irene Huddart and Gwen Harrison.

Margaret Abbott kindly judged our flower competition which was won by Olga Hetherington with Mona Kent coming second. Mona came first in the unusual item of garden equipment with Eileen Bell coming second.

A wonderful afternoon was completed with a delicious afternoon tea - all baked by the Dundraw members.

WESTNEWTON NEWS

VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB

May
£20 Tony & Val,
£10 Bob & Lou
£5 R Beaty

All at St Matthews Church would like to wish
Canon Rev Bryan Rothwell a very happy retirement
and say thank you for everything he has done as rector.
We will all miss him.

Bible Crack

Led by Rev Malcolm Stillwell
Monday 9th June
Monday 30th June
@ Midtown House Westnewton
7-30 pm

Weekly Dominos
in the Village Hall
Saturdays @ 1-30.

£3 entry with funds raised for St Matthews Church
No booking needed, just turn up and enjoy a game.
Everyone Welcome

From the Library

One of the books i have just finished is a book i have had for quite a time but never got round to reading. It is called "Away in a manger", and is the story of two families, one American, the other emigrated to America from England. The American lady and her family found two little children begging. The little girl was singing carols for money. They wondered what had gone wrong and started to take clothes and food and talking to them. They then researched their family. It is a lovely book and worth reading. Every body at one time did a spring clean. Now we clean all the time. My teddy bears room has had its yearly clean. All three hundred and fifty of them. If anyone would like to see them, ring Martha on 01697320944.

WESTNEWTON NEWS

**ST MATTHEWS CHURCH
WESTNEWTON**

SALE CRAFTS TEAS

Summer Fayre

**SATURDAY
5TH JULY 2025
10AM - 3PM**

**AT:
WESTNEWTON
VILLAGE HALL**

FREE ENTRY!